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**SUBJECT: BARKER/KARPIS GANG  
BREMER KIDNAPPING**

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Cincinnati, Ohio

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May 9, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

"BRKID."

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to report of Special Agent  
E. J. Wynn dated at Cleveland, Ohio, 4-22-36 in the above entitled  
case, which indicates on page six that Sergeant Mack of the Ohio  
State Highway Patrol intimated that he had checked the license  
number on one of the Bureau cars.

I wish to advise that Special Agent E. D. Harris  
of this office was recently at Columbus, Ohio, at which time a visit  
was made to Mr. E. M. Huber, Auditor of the Bureau of Motor  
Vehicles, who personally keeps the records pertaining to licenses  
issued to this Bureau. Mr. Huber advised that it would be impossible  
for anyone to secure information concerning these license plates,  
except from him, personally. An inquiry had been made of Mr. Huber  
through the State Police concerning one license plate issued to the  
Cincinnati Office, which license number was erroneously reported  
on an automobile involved in an accident and Mr. Huber contacted  
this office before furnishing the State Police with information,  
in this instance. He advised that there has been no other instance  
where the State Police have requested information on license plates  
issued to this Bureau, and stated that even though such further  
requests should be received, he would first advise the Bureau  
office concerned of the request, before furnishing any information.

Very truly yours,

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E. J. CONNELLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

May 7, 1936.

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Mr. Tolson .....  
Mr. Baughman .....  
Chief Clerk .....  
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Mr. Quinn .....  
Mr. Schilder .....  
Mr. Tamm .....  
Mr. Tracy .....  
Miss Gandy .....

Time - 11:35 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Frank Waldrop telephoned me and wanted to know if there was going to be a release on the apprehension of HARRY CAMPBELL made here in Washington. I told him that I did not know about this, advising that you would be back in town this afternoon after having released the information in Ohio.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

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**Federal Bureau of Investigation**

**U. S. Department of Justice**

Post Office Box 1469,  
Little Rock, Arkansas,  
May 8, 1936.

Mr. Nathan	✓
Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Baughman	✓
Chief Clerk	✓
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Mr. Coffey	✓
Mr. Edwards	✓
Mr. Egan	✓
Mr. Foxworth	✓
Mr. Harbo	✓
Mr. Joseph	✓
Mr. Keith	✓
Mr. Lester	✓
Mr. Quinn	✓
Mr. Tamm	✓
Mr. Tracy	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREXID.

Dear Sir:

For the information of the Bureau and Mr. Connelley, there is enclosed herewith a typewritten copy of a statement executed by L. M. Lynch, a Special Watchman of Hot Springs, Arkansas, to George C. Bolton of the Hot Springs National Park Service, Hot Springs, Arkansas, which was forwarded to this office by Mr. Bolton.

Very truly yours,

*Chapman Fletcher*  
CHAPMAN FLETCHER,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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5/1/36

10:15 AM

John McTaggart

&

L. W. Lynch - Spl. Watchman  
121 Linwood St. (Quapaw & Prospect)

Karpis et al.

Akers - In front of Creasons Res. on Quapaw  
Akers approached down Violet St.  
(At night) 9:30 PM-Saturday 3/21/36

During regular neighborhood patrol when I met McTaggart who has a watch adjoining mine we were comparing notes & talking when Herb Akers & Charley Sellers came down Violet St. & got into a car parked on Quapaw in front of W O Creasons House. He called me to his car & told me that he had been watching the house known as the Judge Davis home for 4 nights & that Karpis was supposed to be therein that I was not to throw any torch light around the house or into cars nearby or investigate anything around there that Karpis had never left town & for us to keep the matter quiet & say nothing to anybody whatsoever, but give him, Akers all the information I had or gathered as to what transpired at Judge Davis house. I later went to Police Hdq. Hot Springs & requested Akers to let me see their photos & identification papers on Karpis & he refused to give it to me saying he would have some more & later dope in a few days. He stated Karpis was driving a Packard Car. If you see anything that don't look right you call me. That same night about 10:30 PM a large car drove into the garage of the Judge Davis home, he turned on the light as he got into the garage to see how to take out 2 large & heavy suit cases; He got them out the car, switched off the light & took the cases into the house. I saw 3 or 4 men through the windows welcome this man. I left and went to the residence of Major Green, who is on duty at Army & Navy Hospital & called Akers. He said all right & that was all. Later on, 30 minutes, the men all left in a car that had been parked in front of the house. Nothing else of interest transpired up to 3: A.M. next morning when I went off duty. Akers informed (when I asked for Picture) me that that man I saw had left town the next night. I told him about the crowd leaving 30 minutes after I had called him & he said nothing except that he would have some more dope.

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There is a car with Illinois license number - - - that is still at the house & which comes & goes at intervals. I am suspicious of the whole matter & make this statement of my free will & accord as I am employed by the Residents of this neighborhood & I don't want any battle start in my district which might endanger them. The folks whom are the tenants of the Judge Davis house are going under the name of Robinson & the place is still occupied being lighted late at night. I see a servant taking care of a little girl & a lady & some times a man, all playing a game of cards at times. The number of this house is either 207 or 209 Violet St. the 1st house on left hand side going up from Quapaw there is an alley from Fern St to Violet St which goes past the garage. The place in rear is open with a hedge fence no wiring, around the garden or house plot of the Davis home.

(Signed) L. M. LYNCH

Major Green - Interviewed at Army & Navy Hospital AM 5/1/36  
Violet & Prospect. Residence

States that Lynch came to his house & asked to use the phone, that he called a number & asked for Aker. He reported a man arriving in a car at garage the Judge Davis house & taking 2 heavy suit cases into the house. After which a party started. Major Green states that he had chipped in \$1.50 per mo to Lynch as payment as private watchman. That he thinks he talks too much but otherwise seemed OK.

(Signed) Bolton

KRM:MC

May 21, 1936.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Little Rock, Arkansas.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, et al;  
Edward George Bremer, Victim;  
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

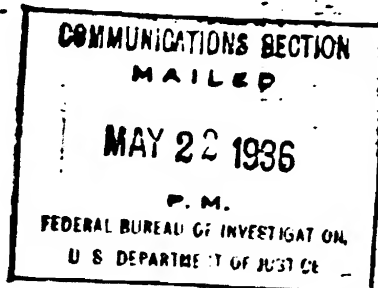
Reference is made to your letter of May 8,  
1936, in which you enclosed a copy of a statement executed  
by L. M. Lynch, a Special Watchman of Hot Springs, Arkansas,  
relative to certain experiences he has had with Herbert  
Akers, Chief of Detectives, Police Department, Hot  
Springs, Arkansas.

It is desired that you immediately arrange to  
have L. M. Lynch thoroughly interviewed and submit the  
results of this interview to the Bureau at an early date.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

cc St. Paul  
Cleveland  
Cincinnati  
Mr. E. J. Connelley, Chicago



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FBI STPAUL 5-9-36 5-40P RRM  
DIRECTOR AND CONNELLEY AT CHICAGO  
PHONE. BREKID. CAMPBELL CONTINUES TO DENY GUILT. QUESTIONING  
OF CAMPBELL WILL BE CONTINUED AT STPAUL OFFICE UNTIL AT LEAST  
MONDAY

STEIN..

CC CINCINNATI

*Edw G Bremer  
Harry Campbell*

Mr. Nathan	.....
Mr. Tolson	.....
Mr. Baughman	.....
Chief Clerk	.....
Mr. Clegg	.....
Mr. Coffey	.....
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Mr. Keith	.....
Mr. Lester	.....
Mr. Quinn	.....
Mr. S. Lester	.....
Mr. Tamm	.....
Mr. Tracy	.....
Miss Gandy	.....

*W. J. [Signature]*

*copy Mr. Tamm  
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*W. J.*

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

EAT:CDW

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

May 7, 1936.

Time - 3:20 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Harry Campbell.

SAC Brown telephoned me from the Denver Office and said he just received a telephone call from the Sheriff at Glenwood Springs, Colorado, who advised that this morning, a stranger in town came into the Post Office there and asked that all mail for George Blackburn be held for him. They had just received the circular on Harry Campbell, and it is believed this person is as a matter of fact Campbell.

I told Mr. Brown that this could hardly be Campbell for the reason that Campbell was taken into custody at five o'clock this morning at Toledo.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box 1276  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma  
May 9th, 1936

LHR/ms  
7-36

Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Washington, D. C.

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Special Agents L. F. Malone and W. John McNulty arrived at Oklahoma City to-day at 9:55 A. M. with Sam Coker. They were met at the train by agents of this office, and Coker was immediately brought to the Bureau office here. Coker was questioned further, but without results. He repeatedly stated that he knew nothing, and had no information to give.

Agents McNulty and Malone delivered to this office money and personal property belonging to Sam Coker, which is itemized on a receipt given by this office to Agents McNulty and Malone, a copy of which receipt is attached hereto for the Bureau's file.

The officials at the Oklahoma State Penitentiary, McAlester, Oklahoma, had requested that Coker be placed in the County Jail at Oklahoma City, where they would take custody of him. Coker was taken from this office, and locked up in the County Jail in this city. Deputy Warden J. F. Dunn took custody of Coker at the County Jail in Oklahoma City on this date. Mr. Dunn was given the cash and other property belonging to Coker, for which Mr. Dunn executed a receipt, a copy of which is also attached hereto for the Bureau's file.

You are further advised that Special Agents V. I. Parry and M. W. Acers were withdrawn from the house at 805 S. Rockford Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma on May 8, 1936, where they had been maintaining a surveillance on the house occupied by the parents of Harry Campbell.

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Very truly yours,

MAY 12 1936

Dwight Brantley  
H R B

DWIGHT BRANTLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Oklahoma City, Oklahoma  
May 9, 1938

Received from E. M. Butterworth, Special Agent, Federal Bureau  
of Investigation, Oklahoma City, the sum of \$1922.05, at the  
Oklahoma City Bureau Office on May 9, 1938, itemized as follows:

Fifty	\$20.00 bills	\$1000.00
One	\$100.00 bill	100.00
Eighty-two	\$10.00 bills	820.00
Two	\$1.00 bills	2.00
One	coin	.05
		<u>\$1922.05</u>

Receipt is also acknowledged of the following described property:

Bulova Wrist Watch  
Cigarette lighter  
Fountain Pen and Pencil set.

This property belongs to Sam Coker, and is being delivered to officers  
of the Oklahoma State Penitentiary, McAlester, Oklahoma, for the  
account of Sam Coker.

*J. B. Dunn*  
*Deputy Warden*  
*Oklahoma Penitentiary*

WITNESSES:

*John A. Wells*  
*L. B. Reed*

7-576-11406

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One	coin	-	.05
		-	<u>\$1922.05</u>

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Cigarette lighter.  
Fountain Pen and Pencil set.

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account of Sam Coker.

R. H. Buttermore  
R. H. BUTTERMORE,  
Special Agent.

WITNESS:  
L. B. Reed  
L. B. REED,  
Special Agent.

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Salt Lake City, Utah.  
May 7, 1936.

R. WHITLEY,  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,  
607 U.S. COURT HOUSE,  
POLY SQUARE,  
NEW YORK, N.Y.

BREKID RE FRANKIE POSTER AUTOMOBILE OF VOGEL CARRIES NEWYORK NINETEEN THIRTY SIX LICENSE NENE ONE DASH FOUR SIX.

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cc - Bureau.

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*Edw J. Brennan*

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*[Handwritten initials]*

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LITTLE ROCK ARK 929A MAY 8 1936

DIRECTOR FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

US DEPT OF JUSTICE WASHN DC

BREKID. CHIEF OF DETECTIVES AKERS HOT SPRINGS POLICE DEPARTMENT  
TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED GRACE GOLDSTEIN RETURNED HOT SPRINGS LAST  
NIGHT STATED HAD NOT TALKED TO HER AND NO ACTIVITIES CONNELLEY  
ADVISED

FLETCHER BLD...

*copy - Tamm*

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Post Office Box 1469,  
Little Rock, Arkansas,  
May 8, 1936.

Mr. George C. Bolton,  
Hot Springs National Park Service,  
Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID.

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter  
of May 1, 1936, with enclosure, pertaining to the case  
of Alvin Karpis, with aliases, et al.

The transmittal of this enclosure and interest  
taken in this case by your department is appreciated and  
the matter mentioned in your letter is receiving the  
attention of this office.

Very truly yours,

CHAPMAN FLETCHER,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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May 11, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

As of possible interest, there is attached a copy of an editorial entitled "The Federal Way" which appeared in the May 5, 1936, issue of the New York World-Telegram, relating to the capture of Alvin Karpis.

Respectfully,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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Mr. Tamm	_____
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Miss Gandy	_____

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### THE FEDERAL WAY.

THERE is another big lesson for the country in general and for State law enforcement in particular, we think, in the highly efficient, clean-cut, non-fumbling way J. Edgar Hoover and his federal G-men dealt with Alvin Karpis under the federal kidnaper law.

No games of tag with justice across State lines. No jurisdictional tangles. Nothing to halt the swift conveyance of Karpis from New Orleans to the custody of the federal authorities in St. Paul.

No \$1,000-a-day costs, as in the case of getting "Lucky" Luciano back from Hot Springs, Ark., to New York County.

No local clumsiness or unseemly publicity stunts, as when the late John Dillinger was photographed in the encircling arm of a smirking prosecuting attorney at the Crown Point, Ind., jail, from which the desperado shortly after escaped.

No nonsense of any sort.

When Mr. Hoover points to politicians and their hand-picked appointees as the bane of law enforcement, when he says, "Politics itself is Public Enemy No. 1," he obviously has in mind what too often happens in State criminal jurisdictions. There's sharp meaning and contrast in his statement:—

"Federal Department of Justice agents capture more than 5,000 persons annually charged with various federal violations. It is difficult to rate them. To us they are all 'rats.'"

*Why not give the people of these United States even greater benefits from this cold, quick, non-political federal efficiency in dealing with criminals who become public enemies?*

*For example, why not extend federal law to bring into federal jurisdiction any man convicted anywhere of three major felonies who is fleeing across State lines to escape trial for a fourth?*

That would be a speedier remedy than getting slow-moving States to adopt uniform extradition laws. Far speedier than cutting what Mr. Hoover describes as "the links of the underworld to politics and at times to law enforcement officials."

Few States at the present time can afford to despise federal aid and federal expertness of the kind shown in more captures than that of Karpis. Certainly not this State.

NEW YORK TRIBUNE  
From the New York Tribune

MAY 5 1936



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May 5, 1936

Time: 6:30 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

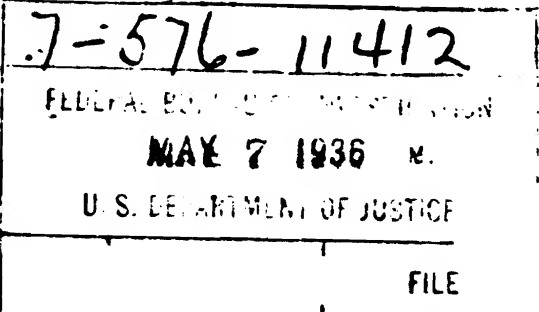
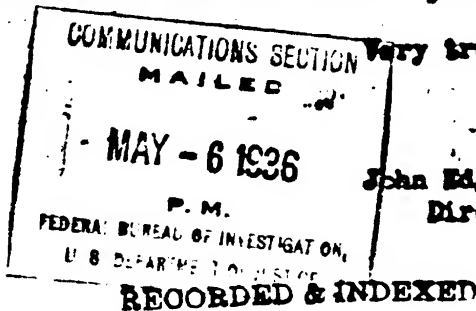
RE: United States Attorney  
at Cleveland, Ohio.

I telephoned Mr. Connelley at Cleveland and inquired the name of the person reported as going to New Orleans from the United States Attorney's office at Cleveland according to a newspaper story which Mr. Connelley had previously informed me of. Mr. Connelley stated that it was Assistant United States Attorney Wiedemann and that the story also reported a man named Hettrick and a man named Cordray as having accompanied Mr. Wiedemann. Mr. Connelley stated that he had a short while ago verified the fact that Hettrick had not left the city but that he had not been able to locate Mr. Wiedemann. I stated that Mr. Freed, the United States Attorney, had denied to Mr. Keenan having sent anyone to New Orleans; that Mr. Keenan had asked Mr. Freed to stay out of any controversy and that the matter was one to be handled by the Department of Justice. Mr. Connelley stated that he had talked with Mr. Magee at New Orleans and was advised that someone had called the New Orleans Office asking for Mr. Cordray but that there was no indication of Mr. Wiedemann being there. I asked Mr. Connelley to check the matter.

I asked Mr. Connelley if he had forwarded the memorandum concerning the cooperation of the Post Office authorities. Mr. Connelley stated that it was being prepared but that it would be forwarded air mail as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.



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Post Office Dept  
Alvin Karpis  
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Security Guard

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JFH:HCB

May 6, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON  
MR. QUINN

I would like to have immediate steps taken to survey our field offices in order to determine whether those offices which are located in Federal Buildings have the necessary facilities available to effect the degree of efficiency necessary for the proper handling of our work.

I recall that we have had correspondence with our Salt Lake City Office relative to its inability to obtain elevator service in the Post Office Building, and I noted at New Orleans when I was there that we did not have elevator service in the Federal Building after 4:30 p.m. In New Orleans we were located on the sixth floor and obviously it was inconvenient to take prisoners up and down stairways, which were blocked with photographers and newspaper men. It also incurred a hazard because it is entirely possible that associates of Karpis might easily have mingled with the crowd which would have resulted either in gunfire or the possible escape of Karpis.

At St. Paul we have already noted that it is impossible to carry on a telephone conversation in that office without it being heard in the hallway. In both the New Orleans and St. Paul Offices there were no detention rooms. I want steps to be taken at Salt Lake City, St. Paul and New Orleans at once so as to locate these offices in privately owned buildings where we can have the proper kind of service and the proper accommodations. If there are any other of our offices which cannot have the proper service, which are located in Federal Buildings, steps should be taken at once to remove them from.

In connection with the Boston situation, appropriate consideration should be given to moving out of the Federal Building at once due to the leak which occurred there relative to the gun training of our Agents at Boston.

The above matters are most important and I do not want any delay or procrastination in the handling of the same.

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Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

MAY 12 1936 P.M.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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May 11, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. H. J. McCLURE,  
GENERAL AGENT.

There is transmitted herewith the April, 1936, expense account of Special Agent W. John McNulty, in which it will be noted that an item of air travel appears.

In explanation of this travel, you are advised that it was necessitated by an emergency development at Cleveland, Ohio, in connection with the investigation of the Bremer and Hamm Kidnapping Cases, upon which Agent McNulty was engaged. Information was received by the Bureau which made it imperative for this Agent to proceed to Cleveland from Little Rock, Arkansas, with all possible speed since any delay resulting from the use of common carrier to perform the same travel would have been a serious impediment to the successful completion of the investigation. It was therefore essential that Agent McNulty travel from Little Rock to Cleveland in the manner indicated.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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*Edward George Bremer*

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PHONE. HANAP. KARPIS DELIVERED US MARSHAL FOUR THIRTY PM TODAY  
AND IMMEDIATELY CONFINED RAMSEY COUNTY JAIL IN DEFAULT TOTAL BOND  
OF FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS ON INDICTMENTS IN HANAP AND BREKID.  
TWENTY FOUR HOUR GUARD BY AGENTS BEING MAINTAINED AT JAIL ON KARPIS  
AND HE IS TO SEE NOBODY EXCEPT AN ATTORNEY WHEN HE RETAINS AN  
ATTORNEY.

S. W. DUNN RETURNED STPAUL TODAY AND WILL BE CONTACTED TOMORROW  
MORNING IN LINE CONVERSATION SAC CONNELLEY.

WILL ADVISE TOMORROW WHEN AGENT S. E. MCKEE WILL REPORT WASHINGTON.  
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## 'Crooked Ohio Connections Blamed for Escape of Karpis, Campbell

The Toledo Police Department almost got in on the federal raid early yesterday that resulted in the capture of Harry Campbell.

He intimated no persons who have aided the fugitives captured in yesterday's G-man's field day would escape.

He revealed that Karpis, taken May 1, and Harry Campbell, taken yesterday at Toledo, escaped months ago only because they had been aided by "crooked Cleveland politicians with police connections."

Washington accepted his statements as an indication that the next field of operations for the G-men will be the shadowy zone that is known to connect criminals and politicians and officeholders.

## Rush Mahan to Trial.

Meanwhile, the criminals who have harassed the nation for more than three years were reduced to one fugitive of major importance, Thomas Robinson, the kidnaper of Mrs. Alice Stoll of Louisville.

Hoover pressed a federal round-up of all persons who have har-

Detective Owen Green was driving home with some

friends at the moment when J. Edgar Hoover assembled his G-men outside the apartment at 2132 Monroe Street in which Campbell and his wife were nabbed.

"Gee, those guys have got ma-

though Karpis was more notorious  
as a gunman..

He explained that while Karpis was a "smart" man, and probably would surrender without making trouble if he saw there was no chance of escape—just as he actually did when he found himself surrounded by federal agents—Campbell was a "small town punk who had a big head" and would likely try to shoot his way out.

Hoover indicated that his agents and postoffice inspectors had encountered difficulty in working together.

"We haven't had a bit of help of any kind from any postal inspector in making these arrests," Hoover said grimly.

Hoover revealed that Karpis had protested vigorously against being called a "rat."

"Anna Sage, who squealed on Dillinger, was a rat," Hoover said. Karpis asserted, "but you've got no right to call me one."

chine guns. It looks like a stick-up," one of his companions said to Green.

The detective circled around, stopped his car and walked up to investigate.

He halted when one of the men carrying a machine gun wheeled around and aimed the weapon at him.

"We're federal agents. Scram," he barked at Green.

"Well, I'm a city detective. Can I be of any help to you?" Green answered.

Another of the agents came up to him. Green believes that this was Hoover himself.

"We're grateful to you for your offer," he said courteously, "but we've got everything all lined up.

We've got everything all lined up. We're all set. We really don't need your help and I think it would be better for you to go."

**Green went.**

It was not until he awakened yesterday afternoon that he learned whom the G-men were after in the raid.

And it was not until he made a report on his experience still later in the afternoon, that heads of the Police Department learned by how little they missed being represented in the raid.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR  
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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
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Washington, D. C.  
May 8, 1936.

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Time - 11:21 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

I contacted SAC Connelley at Chicago and told him you desire him to get in touch with the Agents who have been working with him in the vicinity of Toledo and obtain from them statements today of all incidents of which they have knowledge which would indicate a corrupt or disorganized or otherwise undesirable situation in the Toledo Police Department. I mentioned to him the incident mentioned to you about the Police Captain having a lot of money in a savings account, etc., and Mr. Connelley said this Captain is at Cleveland instead of Toledo, and that he is being given hearings on the matter at this time. I also mentioned to Mr. Connelley you heard the Agents had to interview certain of the police officers at their homes because the officers couldn't be contacted at the police station for fear there would be advance information given to the underworld. I told Mr. Connelley that any other information on this subject should be furnished in these memoranda.

I told Mr. Connelley you also desire a memorandum of all available information concerning the activities of Sheriff O'Reilly in connection with Campbell — any indications of guilty knowledge on his part, and any other information which is available concerning O'Reilly.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

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5/8/36.

Harry

Re: Capture of Mahan and Campbell

The MARCH OF TIME radio broadcast at 9:30 pm last night WJLV gave their version of the capture of Campbell, dramatized in their usual style.

Quoted Director in answer to question from Campbell of "How did you find me".

"There was a reward of \$2500. Looks like your pal Alvin Karpis is entitled to it."

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At 10 pm the ESSO REPORTER gave a spot news broadcast of the apprehension of Mahan and Campbell

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May 6, 1936.

Time - 5:50 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. Tamm

Re: Alvin Karpis.

Mr. Fletcher telephoned from Little Rock and advised that he had received a call from Mr. Brantley who stated that Agent Frank Smith had received a telegram from "Dutch" Akers stating "Believe I have located look box of parties you were looking for here - would bear an investigation". Mr. Fletcher stated he went to Hot Springs and Akers stated he referred to Grace Goldstein and Connie Morris who had been seen going into the Arkansas National Bank and that he, Akers thought that one of them had a look box there. Mr. Fletcher stated he told Akers the Bureau had this information and that no action would be taken unless Mr. Hoover so wished; that Akers became very unpleasant and was told that the Bureau was capable of picking up people without any assistance from him; that Akers then became profane and made derogatory remarks about the Director. Mr. Fletcher stated he told Akers he would transmit his message to Mr. Hoover; that he also told Mayor McLaughlin of the incident; that on his return to Little Rock Akers called and apologized, stating he lost his temper because he had just read in the Tulsa papers that the Hot Springs Police Department was blamed for the escape of subjects at Malvern, Arkansas. Mr. Fletcher stated he had told Joe Wakelin who stated to come to him when assistance was needed. Mr. Fletcher further stated that in the meantime the United States Commissioner had telephoned and stated that Wakelin had spent the night with Grace Goldstein at the house at Malvern on the night before the raid. I told Mr. Fletcher to find out from the Commissioner where he obtained the information.

Very truly yours,

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MAILED John Edgar Hoover,  
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POST OFFICE BOX 812  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

May 10, 1936.

Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Washington, D.C.

AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

On May 9, 1936 Special Agent in Charge J. P. MacFarland of the Cleveland Bureau office telephoned and requested that the Chicago Bureau file in this case be reviewed for all information pertaining to the lack of cooperation between law enforcement authorities at Toledo and Cleveland, Ohio and the Bureau, in the investigation of this case, and any efforts on the part of such organizations to hinder the search for Karpis and Campbell.

It was likewise requested that any information in the Chicago file indicating corruption in the Police Departments or Sheriffs' offices at Toledo and Cleveland be set out in memorandum form and forwarded to the Bureau.

In accordance with the above request I am attaching hereto memorandum submitted by Special Agent D. P. Sullivan of this office, setting out the results of a review of the Chicago file.

A memorandum which was submitted by the same agent on May 9, 1936 and forwarded to the Bureau, contains additional information concerning these matters.

Very truly yours,

*D. M. Ladd*  
D. M. LADD,

Special Agent in Charge.

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*Alvin Karpis  
Harry Campbell  
Chicago, Ill.  
May 9, 1936  
J.P. MacFarland*

*Letter  
Chicago  
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Chicago, Illinois  
May 10, 1936

MEMORANDUM FOR SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE  
E. J. CONNELLEY:

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The Chicago Bureau office file has been reviewed and the following additional information indicating connections between hoodlums, especially members of the Barker-Karpis gang, and law enforcement authorities at Cleveland, Ohio, as well as Toledo, Ohio, has been obtained and is set forth in the following memorandum. It may be mentioned that the memorandum of the writer dated May 8, 1936 which was forwarded to the Bureau by letter the same date, sets out information concerning the connections, especially with the Barker-Karpis gang, and hoodlums with law enforcement officials at Toledo, Ohio. In accordance with Bureau instructions the following memorandum is broader and likewise includes information in the file concerning the corruption of law enforcement authorities at Cleveland and Toledo, Ohio.

*Copy 163*  
*\* C. E. Smith*  
Reference has been made on several occasions to the incident occurring on September 5, 1934 following the arrest of Gladys Sawyer, Paula Harmon and Wynona Burdette by the Cleveland Police Department. Early the following morning, September 6, 1934, the male members of the Barker-Karpis gang left Cleveland, Ohio. There is an indication that the gang was tipped off by the Police Department in some manner. In this connection reference is made to the report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, Cleveland, Ohio, dated February 13, 1936 where on Page 18, paragraph 3, is set out the following information: "Inspector Frank Story of the Cleveland Police Department has been cooperating closely with the Cleveland office in this matter, and recently advised Special Agent C. E. Smith and this Agent that he had determined that a member of the police department, now deceased, made a call to the Harvard Club at the time of the aforementioned arrest of these women, it being Story's opinion that possibly this was an innocent call, inasmuch as the officer was of the opinion that the women were associated with some gambler employed at the Harvard Club. He further advised that the information was that on the following morning, Captain Potts, then captain of detectives, also called the Harvard Club with reference to the arrest of the women, but that he, Story, could not learn definitely the circumstances under which Potts called, or just what he said during the conversation".

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This information is borne out by the opinion of Frank J. Noonan head of the Frank J. Noonan Detective Agency, Cleveland, Ohio who indicated to Special Agent R. D. Brown that he had information that a "tip" had come from the headquarters of the Detective Bureau in Cleveland. In speaking of Noonan, the following is quoted from the memorandum of Special Agent R. D. Brown to Special Agent in Charge J. P. MacFarland dated December 11, 1935 where in paragraph 2, on page 3, in speaking of this conversation the following is quoted: " - - - he stated he is satisfied the 'tip' came from the headquarters of the detective bureau in Cleveland. However, he did not give the writer any indication as to the identity of the person who gave this tip".

The circumstances under which Alvin Karpis and other members of the gang left Cleveland on the morning of September 6, 1934 indicate that members of the Barker-Karpis gang had some information of the arrest of Wynona Burdette, Paula Harmon and Gladys Sawyer. The following is quoted from the signed statement of Delores Delaney set out in the last paragraph on Page 15 in the report of Special Agent J. L. Madala, dated February 6, 1936: "On or about September 5, 1934 Alvin and I went to bed about 9:00 P.M. Willie Harrison, who had been living with us, left Cleveland, Ohio, with some of his clothes four or five days previous. I do not know where he went. At about 11:00 P.M., while Alvin and I were in bed, Harry Campbell, Fred Barker and Doc Barker came to the house. Alvin went to the door to let them in. At this time Fred told Alvin that Wynona Burdette, Gladys Sawyer, Paula Harmon and I had been arrested, and Alvin stated that I was not arrested, that I was in bed. Freddie then told Alvin that Wynona, Gladys, and Paula were arrested at the Cleveland Hotel for causing some sort of a disturbance. Alvin thereupon told me to get dressed and go into the living room and maintain a lookout. Harry Campbell and Doc Barker laid down to get some sleep while Fred and Alvin talked privately, none of which conversation I overheard. About an hour or so later Alvin and Fred went out and returned about 45 minutes later stating that there were cops and squad cars all around Fred's house. I was still maintaining a watch when I observed at about 4:30 A.M. two police squad cars drive slowly by the house, and it appeared that they were watching our place. They apparently drove up the block some distance and returned again driving slowly by the house. I immediately called to Alvin and told him of what I had seen. He then instructed me to start packing the things that we would absolutely need and to forget about the rest. I started to pack and about fifteen minutes later Alvin awakened Freddie, Doc and Harry and we departed at about shortly before 5:00 A.M. in three automobiles. Alvin and I drove away in our Pontiac coupe."

At any rate the house at 4419 West 171st Street, which Alvin Karpis and Delores Delaney occupied, was not raided until 5:00 A.M., Sept. 6, 1934 by a squad under Lieutenant Kirk Gloeckner.

In connection with the investigation conducted with reference to the Harvard Club an effort to identify Arthur W. Heberbrand and James "Shimmy" Patton as being contacts for members of the Barker-Karpis gang, information was incidentally obtained which indicated that these individuals had strong connections with the law enforcement officials at Cleveland, Ohio. In this connection mention may be made that Frank J. Noonan owner of the Detective Agency bearing his name, is likewise connected with the Heberbrand and Patton, and is reported to be retained by these men in connection with their gambling interests at Cleveland. Mention is made of the activities of Frank J. Noonan at Cleveland, Ohio in a letter signed "XYZ" and is apparently written by a member of the Cleveland Police Department to Mr. J. M. McGrath owner of a detective agency at Cleveland, which is quoted on Page 20 of the report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, Cleveland, Ohio, dated February 13, 1936. Particular attention is directed to paragraph 2 of this letter which makes reference to a Rabshaw who apparently was formerly a member of the Cleveland Police Department, and the following is quoted: "Rabshaw is telling the race track people that if they do not employ Noonan Sheriff Hanratty will not let them race. The reason of this is that Rabshaw and Noonan and Joe Ball are going 50-50 on the profits. If the race tracks open watch these fellows work together". Paragraph 4 of the same letter is herewith quoted: "You can use this letter for whatever it is worth. Only last week Rabshaw and Noonan were at the Hollenden Hotel in a conference with Ed Stronge and his bunch making arrangements to protect Thistledown. If you want to know any further about Rabshaw ask Emmett Potts, Inspector Cody, Andy Hagan or John Toner".

Information obtained from a telephone tap maintained on the telephone of Arthur Heberbrand, 3909 West 158th Street, Cleveland, Ohio, telephone Clearwater 0717 from February 6, 1936 to March 5, 1936, resulted in the information that Arthur Heberbrand was actively engaged in making plans to open a new gambling joint following the closing of his old gambling establishment called the Harvard Club in January, 1936; that as a result Heberbrand and Patton decided to open a gambling joint at 42nd Street and Harvard Avenue, Newburg Heights, which location is situated approximately four blocks from the old Harvard Club; that this new location was opened on approximately February 14th, 1936 but Heberbrand and Patton remained in the background.

The above information is contained in the report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, Cleveland, Ohio, dated March 24, 1936, on page two. The first paragraph on page 3 of this report is quoted herewith: "Preliminary to opening the new location, the telephone conversations indicated definitely the fact that certain officials were being 'fixed', namely, the mayor of Newburg Heights, Jerry Sticha, and the village marshal, Frank Ptak. The latter, in a conversation with Art Hebebrand threatened to forestall the opening of the club unless his demands were met. However, several meetings were arranged between Art Hebebrand, Shimmy Patton, the mayor and the marshal and things were worked out satisfactorily."

Referring to the raid made by local authorities on the Harvard Club, Cleveland, Ohio, in January of 1936, Mr. W. G. Harper, Operative in Charge, U. S. Secret Service, Treasury Department, Cleveland, Ohio, was interviewed by Special Agent E. J. Dowd on February 24, 1936. Mr. Harper had the following to say concerning the above raid on the Harvard Club, which information is contained on page 13 of the report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, Cleveland, Ohio, dated March 24, 1936; "Mr. Harper stated that Hebebrand, who has never been known to have welched on a gambling debt, is said to be a 'gentleman' gambler; that James 'Shimmy' Patton is an entirely different type, being hard boiled and not considered a friend of anyone; that when the Harvard Club was closed by the local authorities, information is that the raid was so planned so as to give Elliot Ness, recently appointed Safety Director of Cleveland, a political build-up".

With reference to the above mentioned raid which was conducted by the County Prosecutor's office on or about January 10, 1936, newspaper clippings from the Cleveland Press dated January 11, 1936 forwarded to the Chicago Bureau office by the Cleveland office giving details of the raid on the Harvard Club mentioned that John Sulzman, Sheriff of Cuyahoga County took no part in the raid, but the raid was conducted by the office of the County Prosecutor, who enlisted the cooperation and aid of 25 private detectives, and armed with search warrants endeavored to serve said warrants at the Harvard Club. However, they were met with forcible resistance by "Shimmy" Patton, who threatened to "mow down" the raiding party with machine guns, and held them at bay for six hours, during which time all the gambling equipment at the Harvard Club was moved away by trucks. It was finally necessary for the Safety Director of Cleveland to proceed to the Harvard Club, located just outside the city limits, with a party of policemen, to gain entrance to the club. This action was necessary because the Sheriff when called by the Prosecutor's raiding party for aid, refused to send assistance, even though his office was



notified that the prosecutor's raiding party had been threatened with machine guns. It is evident that the proprietors of the Harvard Club were closely connected with politicians and those in power in Cleveland Ohio.

The following is quoted from the report of Special Agent R. D. Brown, Cleveland, Ohio dated June 1, 1935, page 4, which sets forth interview had with [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] questioned as to close associates of Heberbrandt, Patton and the Mitchells. He stated that a gambler known as "Smoke" Sharkey, who also acts as a guard at the Harvard Club, appears to be a personal bodyguard of Art Heberbrandt; that this man is a former prize fighter, and resides somewhere near West 98th Street and Madison Avenue. He indicated that Sharkey is the outside contact for Heberbrandt and makes the necessary arrangements to meet the various politicians in Cleveland and vicinity who permit this gambling house to operate. [REDACTED] a detective whose name he believes to be Noonan, is a very good friend of both Heberbrandt and Patton. He advised that during the past three or four weeks Noonan has made frequent trips to the club at night and confers with both Art and "Shimmy".

Tony Amersbush, formerly an employee of the Harvard Club and reported to have been a bodyguard for Patton and Heberbrandt [REDACTED] is probably the "pay off" man for Heberbrandt and Patton in graft collected by officials in Cleveland, Ohio.

Reference is made to letter from the Cleveland office to the Cincinnati office dated January 14, 1936, wherein mention is made that Tony Amersbush is one of the outstanding gangsters of Cleveland, Ohio and is very active around the Harvard Club, and once killed a Police officer at Toledo, Ohio for which offense he was sent to the State penitentiary. The following is quoted from paragraph 2, page 1, of the above mentioned letter:

"The confidential informant has been recently interviewed with reference to Tony and he advised that Tony is very close to Art Heberbrandt and Shimmy Patton and undoubtedly has acted as payoff man for them in so far as various officials are concerned, and that he is a gangster of the strong-armed type and has been out of the penitentiary about three years, it being the confidential informant's understanding that he was sentenced to the penitentiary for having killed a police officer at Toledo".



William J. Mitchell of the real estate firm bearing his name is likewise reported to have had an interest in the Harvard Club. In this connection it may be mentioned that Alvin Karpis and Dolores Delaney rented two residences at Cleveland, Ohio during the time they resided there in the summer of 1934. During the time they resided at 18109 Flamingo Avenue they apparently were visited by C. N. Mitchell, a relative of William J. Mitchell. Reference is here made to report of Special Agent D. E. Hall, Detroit, Michigan dated April 9, 1935, which sets out interview had with Mrs. M. A. Dunn, 18113 Flamingo, who was questioned concerning the residence of Alvin Karpis and Dolores Delaney at 18109 Flamingo. The following is quoted from this conversation: "She further advised that she had seen on several occasions Mr. C. N. Mitchell talking to this couple; that C. N. Mitchell resided at 18105 Flamingo, which is the first house on the same side of the street east and adjacent to the residence at 18109 Flamingo". Investigation to date has been unsuccessful in definitely showing that the houses rented by Karpis were rented from the Mitchell real estate firm, due to the hoodlum connections of this firm, but it is significant that Mitchell is reported to be financially interested in the Harvard Club.

It has been previously mentioned that Frank J. Noonan of the Frank J. Noonan Detective Agency was retained by the Harvard Club when Alvin Karpis and Dolores Delaney vacated their residence at 3973 West 140th Street early on the morning of September 6, 1934, after the arrest of Gladys Sawyer, Wynona Burdette and Paula Harmon by the Cleveland Police Department. Pay envelopes of the Frank J. Noonan Detective Agency were found at this address, and a Bureau abstract of the criminal record number 30222 of Charles Carroll which was obtained by Frank J. Noonan through the Sheriff's office at Chardon, Ohio was found at 4419 West 171st Street, Cleveland, Ohio, which premises were occupied by Paula Harmon, Fred Barker, Gladys and Harry Sawyer. See report of Special Agent D. E. Hall, Detroit, Michigan dated December 21, 1934. Dolores Delaney has stated that Alvin Karpis carried with him during the time he was at Cleveland, a commission card bearing his picture, from the Frank J. Noonan Detective Agency. Noonan has been interviewed on numerous occasions but has denied any personal acquaintanceship with Alvin Karpis.

Concerning the situation at Toledo, Ohio, this town has been notorious as a place of refuge for badly wanted criminals for several years. Reference is here made to the report of Special Agent D. E. Hall, Detroit, Michigan April 9, 1935, page 27, wherein interview is set out with Benny Hastings, 429 French Street, business address Coffee Shop Restaurant, Adrian, Michigan. The following is quoted:

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"He left there over a year ago, but has kept in very close touch with crime conditions in Toledo. He was not acquainted with any of the subjects in this case, but he advised the writer that Ted and Bert Angus were known in the underworld largely as men who hide criminals who are "hot" and went to cool off there, and are reported to have taken care of a lot of them. He stated it was generally their practice to place such individuals in private residences in Toledo, or to take them to Middle Island located in Canadian Waters on Lake Erie; that some two years ago Ted Angus used the residence of a sweetheart, Mrs. Addie Baystrom, located on Reed Road about one and one half miles south-west of Hillsdale, Michigan".

It appears from the file that the Angus Brothers have been notorious in Toledo for some years. Reference is here made to the report of Special Agent D. E. Hall, Detroit, Michigan dated September 25, 1934, and particularly page 4, which sets out interview with Detective R. L. Peters at his residence 1801 Monroe Street, Toledo, Ohio. Peters therein gives information obtained from one Ben Wise, an informant. The following is quoted:

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"Wise however, told him that Theodore Angus was a notorious hoodlum and was one who would not hesitate to harbor anyone for sufficient remuneration.-----Wise further informed Peters that during the prohibition era Ted Angus was the Toledo agent of the Capone gang or syndicate, and had the franchise to sell liquor for that gang or syndicate; further that Ted Angus has a third brother whose name is not known who is in Chicago at the present time. This brother is a member of the Capone gang, still believed to be connected with the remains of that gang and residing in Chicago".

Concerning Middle Island, investigation has resulted in the information that this island formerly was operated for a time by the Angus brothers. One Guy Tibbles is reported to be part owner of this island. Concerning Tibbles, the following is noted from page 6 of the report of Special Agent R. D. Brown, Cleveland, Ohio dated July 27, 1935:

"The report of Mr. Reems' investigators further advised that Edith Barry and Theodore Angus are good friends; that the telephone number of Edith Barry's 524 Southard Avenue address is Adams 4612. The report also states that Ted Angus is friendly with one Guy Tibbles an ex-police sergeant of Toledo, who is a wholesale bootlegger residing, during the summer months on Kelly's Island, near Marblehead, Ohio; that Tibbles has speed boats and spends considerable time at Danbury, Sandusky, Port Clinton, Put in Bay, Pelee Island, Huron, Lorain, and

and Catawba, and has a home at Catawba Cliffs; also that he entertains the Angus brothers and others at Kelly's Island; that Tibbles is a known abetter of fugitives both from Canada and the United States. The report further shows that Ted Angus is a known bank robber, ~~Kence~~, etc.; that he was recently apprehended in Indiana with the loot from a Michigan bank robbery; that he paid off and the case never came to trial".

Joe Roscoe, who operates the Dutch Village Inn, and the 42nd Street Cafe at Toledo, Ohio is likewise reported to have an interest in Middle Island. This man is reported to control gambling operations at Toledo, Ohio, and also is reported to have connections with Heberbrandt and Patton at Cleveland, Ohio.

Investigation in this case has resulted in information, particularly in regard to Captain Timeney, more than other Police officers, probably because he is closely connected with Ted and Bert Angus. Captain Charles Hennessey of Toledo, Ohio, residence 4109 Kingsbury Ave. provided the following information, contained in paragraph 4, page 5, of the report of Special Agent D. E. Hall, Detroit, Michigan, September 25, 1934:

Quoting Captain Hennessey: "He could supply no further information concerning Ted Angus or other people in connection with this case, but did advise that he had heard rumors and had ascertained from confidential sources that Captain George Timeney was an almost nightly visitor at the Casino Club operated by Ted Angus, and is supposed to have an interest therein; that they were inseparable friends".

Mention was made in the memorandum of Special Agent D. P. Sullivan submitted on May 9, 1936 bearing on the connection between members of the Karpis Barker gang and the law enforcement authorities at Toledo, Ohio, that Art Langdorff of the Toledo Police Department was reported to be an officer who was not honest and reliable. A tap placed on the telephone of the Casino Club in January 1935, resulted in the following information concerning Art Langendale. Langendale is undoubtedly identical with Langdorff. This information is set out on page 22 of the report of Special Agent D. E. Hall, Detroit, Michigan, February 25, 1935:

"On February 3, at 8 P.M. a call was received by Bert Angus at the Casino Club, the caller evidently being Art Langendale (phonetic spelling). Art asked Bert if Flo or Chloe was there. Bert answered

that they were and wanted to know if Art wished to speak to them. Flo then talked to Art and stated that she was eating dinner, and doing a little drinking. Art then asked Flo "Who do you have with you, Fitzgerald?". Flo laughed and stated "You know damn well I don't have Fitz with me". Art answered, "Well, we'll drop around in a little while. Will you be there?" Flo stated, "I am leaving right after dinner and won't be there. It's too bad Fitz picked on the girl he did". Art then asked her "Who do you mean?" Flo answered and said "You know who I mean. You've had her out riding". Art then asked "Do you mean the black haired girl?" Flo said "Yes". "She asked him, (Fitz) for \$100.00 to have a party. Then he offered my sister \$10.00 and of course, she refused". Art then said "he (Fitz) must be getting good in his old age. Where are you going after you leave the club?" Flo stated that she was going home right after dinner as she had baked a cake and had quite a bit of stuff to eat at home. Art then said "I will call you within an hour at your home and maybe will drop around. You know we were supposed to have dinner last night. Have whiskey sour in my drinking". Flo said she would."

The Fitzgerald mentioned is thought to be identical with Charles J. Fitzgerald. The black haired girl apparently has reference to Helen Ferguson, a Bureau informant.

A memorandum submitted by the writer and forwarded to the Bureau on May 9, 1936, contains additional information concerning the connection of hoodlums with the law enforcement authorities at Toledo, Ohio, and the corrupt condition of the police department in that city. There is little information in the Chicago office file regarding the events transpiring in the Cleveland office district in the past two weeks. It is assumed that information pertinent to the subject of this memorandum bearing on the recent arrest of Harry Campbell and Sam Coker at Toledo, Ohio will be covered in a separate memorandum submitted by the Cleveland office.

Respectfully submitted,

*D. P. Sullivan*  
D. P. SULLIVAN,

Special Agent.

CC Bureau  
St. Paul  
Cincinnati  
Cleveland

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May 27, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER -  
VICTIM - KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

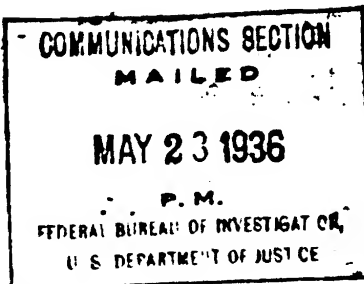
Reference is made to the memorandum of Special Agent  
D. P. Sullivan, which was transmitted to the Bureau by the Chicago  
Office under date of May 10, 1936, a copy of the letter of trans-  
mittal and memorandum being referred to your office.

It is noted that this memorandum states that the report of  
Special Agent R. D. Brown, dated at Cleveland, Ohio, July 27, 1935,  
reflects information to the effect that one Ted Angus is a known  
bank robber and that he was recently apprehended in Indiana with  
the loot from a Michigan bank robbery.

If the same has not already been done, the Bureau suggests  
that photographs of Angus be displayed to the witnesses of unsolved  
bank robberies in your district.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.



P. O. Box #766  
Cincinnati, Ohio

RJC:MMR  
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May 11, 1936.

Mr. W. John McMulty,  
Boston, Mass.

Re: "BRIKID."

Dear Sir:

On the evening of May 1, 1936, at New Orleans, Louisiana, I instructed you to obtain the keys from Special Agent in Charge Magee to Bureau Hudson #9, which had been used by me on this date, in order that you could obtain from the compartment of this car Colt Super-Automatic pistol which was the property of the New Orleans office, in order that it could be placed in the office and avoid the possibility of the loss of same. Please advise me what you did in conformity with these instructions.

Today, Special Agent in Charge Magee, New Orleans advises me that he obtained this gun from the car on the night of May 1, 1936, but that he does not recall your advising him of anything in regard to this.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

cc Bureau.

*cc New Orleans to*

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May 6, 1936.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Re: Alvin Karpis.

Mr. Keenan telephoned and stated he had wired District Attorney Freed at Cleveland to advise if Assistant District Attorney Wiedemann had gone to New Orleans or elsewhere on the Karpis case and had received an answer to the effect that Wiedemann had not left the city nor would any one do so in connection with the Karpis case. I told Mr. Keenan I would send him the article that appeared in the Cleveland papers; that I thought his action in warning them at Cleveland would help us dispose of the case.

I stated that Hunter was held on bond at New Orleans and that the U. S. Attorney is writing to the Department for instructions; that I thought it would be better to proceed with the harboring charges at New Orleans inasmuch as Hunter will undoubtedly plead guilty, and to then release him to the Postal authorities if desired. Mr. Keenan agreed stating that the U. S. Attorney at New Orleans had received a request from U. S. Attorney Freed at Cleveland; that the former had been advised the Department would issue instructions in due time.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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PHONE BREKID CONNIE MORRIS TAKEN TO BATON ROUGE LOUISIANA  
LAST NIGHT CAUGHT MISSOURI PACIFIC TRAIN ELEVEN FORTY THREE  
TODAY FOR SAN ANTONIO CHANGING TRAINS AT HOUSTON TO SOUTHERN  
PACIFIC TRAIN. SHE INTENDS RESIDE WITH SISTER MRS. KIRKPATRICK  
AND SECURE MEDICAL TREATMENT ARRIVAL HOUSTON SEVEN FIFTY  
TONIGHT STOP UNOBSERVED BATON ROUGE

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E.J. Connelley, Cleveland Cincinnati  
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Special Agent in Charge

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P. O. Box #766,  
Cincinnati, Ohio

MDH:SLB  
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May 11, 1936

Special Agent In Charge,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:-

I am transmitting herewith copy of a letter from the Chicago Office dated May 8, 1936, in the above entitled case which transmitted a number of photographs to this office of Eddie Brennan, Joe Rich, Edward Sigurd, Jake Gilmore, Grace Goldstein and Connie Hamm.

I am likewise transmitting to you all photographs with the exception of one of each which is being retained in the Cincinnati Office.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,  
Special Agent In Charge

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627 Broad Street National Bank Building  
Tranton New Jersey

May 11, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,  
Jacksonville, Florida.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your telegram 5-4-36, in which you request the present location of Harry Heller, a necessary witness in a harboring case collateral to the above titled case.

Special Agent H. D. Wills ascertained from Mrs. Mr. Heller, Main Floor, Vermont Apartments, Vermont Avenue and Boardwalk, Atlantic City, New Jersey, that Harry Heller, her son, is presently located at the Colonial Theater, Boston, Massachusetts. Mrs. Heller was unable to give the name of the hotel in Boston where Heller is residing, or any details of his itinerary after leaving Boston.

On May 5, 1936, immediately upon receipt of the above information a telegram was dispatched to the Jacksonville and Boston Bureau Offices advising of the above and requesting that the Boston Office verify that address.

Very truly yours,

R. L. RECHMOND,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

May 11, 1936.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

On May 8, 1936 one J. W. Haydon, former Sheriff of Valley County, Montana, called at this office and advised me that he had certain information concerning the Karpis case.

At the request of Mr. Tamm, Mr. Haydon was referred to Mr. Foxworth.

Respectfully,

W. R. Gavin.

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Mr. Baughman .....  
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AMK:ON

May 7, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. EDWARDS.

Re: BREKID.

Late yesterday afternoon Mr. Kohn secured the fingerprints of Connie Morris, with aliases, who was arrested in New Orleans on May 1, 1936, in the company of Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter, for comparison with the latent fingerprints in the above-entitled case. As you were informed by Mr. Boardman yesterday, several latent fingerprints which were developed on articles seized in a raid on a house near Potash Sulphur Springs, Arkansas, on March 30, 1936, and which were submitted to the Bureau by the Little Rock Office, were identified by Mr. Kohn as those of Connie Morris.

The St. Paul, New Orleans, and Little Rock Offices, as well as Mr. E. J. Connelley, were informed of these identifications by wire.

Respectfully,

E. P. Coffey

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May 6, 1936

MR WILLIAM LUNDELL  
NATIONAL BROADCASTING COMPANY INC  
RCA BUILDING  
50 ROCKEFELLER PLAZA  
NEW YORK CITY

REFERENCE YOUR VISIT HERE APRIL TWENTYSEVEN AND YOUR REQUEST IN CONNECTION  
WITH PARTICIPATION THIS BUREAU IN RCA MAGIC KEY HOUR BROADCAST ON SUNDAY  
MAY SEVENTEENTH YOUR REQUEST WAS TRANSMITTED TO MR SUYDAM FOLLOWING OUR  
CONFERENCE AND IN VIEW OF CERTAIN OBJECTIONS RAISED BY HIM THIS BUREAU  
WILL NOT BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN PROPOSED BORADCAST SINCERELY

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
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722 MIDLAND SAVINGS BUILDING  
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BREKID STATE CHARGE AGAINST CHARLES O. LONG MOLE PROSSED TODAY  
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*Edwards J. Stinner*

Federal Bureau of Investigation

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Post Office Box 2118  
Detroit - Michigan  
May 11, 1936

Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Transmitted to the Bureau and to the offices listed below are  
copies of the following letters:

Letter written to Dolores Delaney by  
her brother, Robert Delaney, 6045 Kimbark  
Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, dated April  
30, 1936.

Letter written by Dolores Delaney to  
Mr. & Mrs. John Karpavicz, 2842 North  
Francisco Avenue, Chicago, dated May 2,  
1936.

Letter written by Wynona Burdette to her  
brother, Aaron M. Burdette, Co. 3, Wads-  
worth, Kansas, dated May 3, 1936.

The originals of the above letters are being returned to Mr.  
John J. Ryan, Superintendent of the United States Detention  
Farm, Milan, Michigan, to be forwarded as addressed.

There are also enclosed copies of a letter written by Dolores  
Delaney to Subject Karpis, the original of which was brought  
to the Detroit Office by Mr. Ryan, personally.

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H. H. Reinecke  
Special Agent in Charge

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Letter Addressed:  
Mr. Aaron M. Burdette  
Co. 3  
Wadsworth, Kansas

Milan, Mich.  
May 3, 1936  
Box 1000

My Darling Bro:-

Just a few lines to tell you how sorry I am that I haven't answered your sweet letter sooner but I guess you know I would have written sooner if I could even though we are willing to pay our own postage we aren't allowed to write only four letters a month, sorry to say.

Yes, Aaron, I think you are right about keeping busy. I really think I should go mad if I didn't have something to do and brother o mine, it might please you to know I have dropped all of my old associates--and I am much more contented. I can think my own way and not be criticized now. Oh, just to make a long story short, I am so much happier since I'm away from it all.

Have you heard from Anna & Jim yet? When you wrote me you were expecting to hear from them.. You know, I wonder how they are getting along. Are you feeling better and how are you making out? Is your throat any better? I hope it is. One is so miserable when having trouble with their throat, don't you think?

Did you take your trip down to Mae's, if so how is she getting along? Poor Mae, I feel so sorry for her, she has suffered so long, do you think she is any better than she was when she was down home (out at the lease)? You know we were living out on No. Peoria, at the Restaurant the last time I saw Mae. I pray we kids might all be together again some day.

Yes, Aaron, I have a Bible and reading it helps me to keep out of trouble. Sometime I get very aggravated but I read a few verses in my Bible and forget all about it. I will admit if it wasn't for the Bible I would be having trouble most of the time up here. I read those chapters you sent for me to read, they have an awfully lot of meaning in them. Every time I read them I get more meaning out of them. It makes you stop and think.

From the way the Radio talks, the newspapers are bringing very good news to lots of people the last couple of days - I for one, go heavy on the (I). Nuff said.

I am so glad you have nice services there and I hope your throat will permit you to be back in your work when this letter reaches you. Gee, I'm so glad you have quit smoking. I certainly wish I had some of your will-power. Such a will-power as yours can only be had by faith in God.

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Brother of mine, have you heard from down home since I have heard from you? I can't imagine what can be wrong with them. Esther &

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Eunice usually write me every month but I did not hear from any of them last month and naturally I think something has gone wrong, the last time I heard from Eunice she said they were all feeling rotten. I have been worried pink about them. I had a letter from Art a couple of weeks ago and he said nothing about any of the kids. Oh, yes, I guess you know Esther has changed her address. It is now Hominy, Okla. Route B, instead of Aarondale. I can't remember whether she had it changed or not when you were down there. I write them all every month and I know that could not be the reason I haven't heard.

I suppose Esther has told you about my hair. I'm letting it grow. It is quite long now and I like it much better long. I do it up sometime in a plain knot & sometime in french braids around my head. I don't think I shall have it cut any more.

We have been painting our cells and doing an awfully lot of sewing lately. I have been too tired to do my laundry. I have my cell fixed up rather cute it is fixed in brown & white checks and I have the kids pictures sitting here & there. Oh, yes, I don't have a picture of you, do you have one you can spare? I have a picture of all my sisters & brothers except you & Esther, may I have one of you? please. I would love to have one of Jim & Anna too. The girls in here don't and can't understand our family. They say we are the most loving Kids towards one another they ever saw. I told them we were raised that way. They think it so funny because I tell my pictures good nite. I am very proud of my family. Well I must close so I will have room for a little poem I found in one of the books Rev. Nelson gave us.

For countless blessings from above,  
From the Christ we dearly love,  
We would give our thanks most deep,  
So a Thank-offering Day we keep.

I think it is pretty don't you?

I will say bye-bye for this time. With loads & loads of love & kisses, from your little sis Nona B. F-36

Answer real soon and tell me all about yourself and all the news.  
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Letter addressed:  
Mr. & Mrs. John Karpavicz  
2842 No. Francisco Ave.  
Chicago, Illinois

May 2 - 1936

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Karpis:

I can't find the words to let you know how I feel. Everything seems so strange I can't seem to realize yet just what has happened. I feel so sorry for you all and only wish there was something I could do. I would gladly take Alvin's place if it were possible. There is nothing in the world I wouldn't do for him. I love him so very much and I know how you must feel.

I am trying to get permission to write him but if I don't won't you let him know how I feel and tell him I'll always feel the same towards him no matter what happens.

Please write me as soon as you feel up to it and let me know how things are going. Kiss my sweet son and try to find a little consolation in him.

All my love  
to you all

Dolores

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Letter from:  
Robert Delaney  
6045 Kimbark Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois

Chicago, Ill.  
April 30, 1936

Dear Dolores:

I received your letter and was sure glad to hear from you. Did you get a letter from Mother yet she told me she wrote you one.

Boy it sure is nice here today it's about 85°. I sure hate to go to work when it's so nice. How is everything there.

I was over to see the baby about a week ago and he sure is fine. I am going over Sunday to see him again. You should see him he walks all over now. He will be talking pretty soon I guess. He sure is a good looking kid he looks just like his uncle. "What did you say."

I may get another job. Boy I sure hope so it will pay about \$26 to \$27 a week.

Well Dolores this is all the news I can think of for this time so I will close.

Love  
from Bud and little Ray

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Post Office Box 2118  
Detroit - Michigan  
May 11, 1936

Mr. John J. Ryan  
Superintendent  
United States Detention Farm  
Milan, Michigan

Dear Mr. Ryan:

Re: BREKID

Returned herewith are the following letters, the contents of which have been carefully noted by this office:

Letter written to Dolores Delaney, an inmate of your institution by her brother, Robert Delaney, 6045 Kimbark Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Letter written by Dolores Delaney to Mr. & Mrs. John Karpavicz, 2842 No. Francisco Avenue, Chicago.

Letter written by Wynona Burdette, also an inmate of your institution, to her brother, Aaron M. Burdette, Co. S, Wadsworth, Kansas.

I desire to extend to you my sincere thanks for your continued cooperation in this and other matters.

Very truly yours,

H. H. Reinecke  
Special Agent in Charge

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May 11, 1936

Time: 3:50 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

RE: Alvin Karpis and  
Harry Campbell.

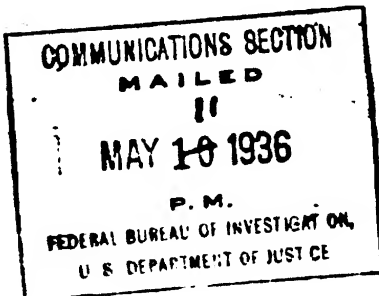
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In the course of a telephone conversation with Mr. Stanley Carroll I informed him that there was no truth in the rumor that Karpis had turned Campbell in to the Bureau. I informed Mr. Carroll that Karpis and Campbell were in St. Paul, Karpis in jail and Campbell still being questioned; that trial has not yet been set.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

Mr. Nathan .....  
Mr. Tolson .....  
Mr. Baughman .....  
Chief Clerk .....  
Mr. Clegg .....  
Mr. Coffey .....  
Mr. Edwards .....  
Mr. Egan .....  
Mr. Foxworth .....  
Mr. Harbo .....  
Mr. Joseph .....  
Mr. Keith .....  
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Mr. Quinn .....  
Mr. Schilder .....  
Mr. Tamm .....  
Mr. Tracy .....  
Miss Gandy .....

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May 10, 1936

Edward J. Brennan

A. L. Listerman,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
805 Postoffice Building,  
San Francisco, California.

RE: MIA USA MIAMI ADVISES HARBORING TRIAL THERE INITIALLY POSTPONED NOTIFY MR AND  
MRS LISTERMAN AS NOT TO RETURN UNTIL FURTHER ADVISED STOP SUGGEST ENDEAVOR DETERMINE  
AS SOON THROUGH WHICH THEY CAN BE LOCATED IN FUTURE.

R. B. NATHAN

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326 1/2 Post Office Building  
New Orleans, Louisiana  
May 9, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

The New Orleans Bureau office is missing two pairs of Peckham  
handcuffs, numbers 9540 and 9550, which were used in the Brekid case  
at New Orleans, La.

All offices receiving copies of this letter are requested to  
check their supply and advise whether these handcuffs are found, and if  
so, transmit same to the New Orleans Bureau office.

The St. Paul office is requested to return one pair of Peters  
adjustable double lock leg irons, together with the two keys furnished  
when Alvin Karpis was transported from New Orleans to St. Paul.

Very truly yours,

A. W. Dugas,  
Special Agent in Charge.

cc - Bureau  
Chicago City  
Dallas  
Cleveland  
Cincinnati  
Little Rock

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May 10, 1936

*Edward J. Bremer*

C. D. McKean,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
1002 Postoffice and Court House Bldg.,  
Boston, Massachusetts.

RE MIAMI ADVISED HARBORING TRIAL THERE IND. FINELY CONTINUED NOTIFY  
HARRY MILLER NOT TO BE OPT UNTIL FURTHER ADVISED STOP STOP AT INDIANAPOLIS DETAIL THE  
A TRAIL THROUGH WHICH HE CAN BE LOCATED IN FUTURE.

R B MATH

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May 6, 1936.

Time - 3:00 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. Tamm

Re: Alvin Karpis.

Mr. Connelley telephoned from Cleveland and stated that he had checked on the story that Wiedemann had gone to New Orleans; that Wiedemann is in the city today although he was away yesterday; that Wiedemann stated that he was not out of town. I told Mr. Connelley to forward the clipping on the story to me. Mr. Connelley stated that he has located Hetrick and Cordray in Toledo working on the case with their own men. Mr. Connelley further stated that the Post Office men were going to interview a man named Roscoe and an ex-sheriff named Taylor whose daughter was supposed to have married Campbell. Mr. Connelley stated that he has ascertained that this is not the right party; that they asked Mr. Connelley if they could go ahead with this and he told them that it was all right.

I inquired if Mr. MacFarland had been successful in getting a story in the Cleveland papers and Mr. Connelley stated that he has not seen the stories although Mr. MacFarland talked to a press representative. I advised Mr. Connelley of the story in the Washington papers this morning relative to the obstruction of our work by the Post Office Inspectors and the information received by the Bureau from the Post Office Department. I further stated that at the end of the story I was supposed to have been interviewed relative to the tip-off to the Bureau by the Post Office Department and that I was quoted as saying that there is not a scintilla of foundation to it; that we received no information from the Post Office Department and that I was quoted as saying further that as a matter of fact we had not received their cooperation. I told Mr. Connelley that

Mr. Nathan... I was preparing a memorandum to the Attorney General from his, Mr. Connelley's  
Mr. Tolson... letter and told him of other steps I had taken in connection with the lack of  
Mr. Baughman... cooperation by the Post Office Department. Mr. Connelley stated that Hetrick  
Chief Clerk... was quite frightened and would not do anything today without calling the Bureau  
Mr. Clegg... first. Mr. Connelley stated that he has the situation covered with ten men;  
Mr. Coffey... that Hall has been sent over to contact Coker who knows Campbell. I told Mr.  
Mr. Edwards... Connelley to keep a close watch on the situation as I might want to come out  
Mr. Egan... there when the case breaks. I advised Mr. Connelley of the contact made with  
Mr. Foxworth... United States Attorney Freed yesterday and that I was assured that no trouble  
Mr. Harbo... would be experienced with him or Wiedemann.  
Mr. Joseph...  
Mr. Keith...  
Mr. Lester... claiming the reward and that I was writing him today telling him that neither  
Mr. Quinn... he nor anyone else has any information leading directly to the apprehension  
Mr. Schilder... of Karpis, and therefore the reward had been cancelled.  
Mr. Tamm... P. M.  
Mr. Tracy...  
Miss Gandy...

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I advised Mr. Connelley that Akers wrote a letter to the Bureau  
claiming the reward and that I was writing him today telling him that neither  
he nor anyone else has any information leading directly to the apprehension  
of Karpis, and therefore the reward had been cancelled.

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Conversation with  
Mr. Connelley,  
5/6/36.

I told Mr. Connelley that I hoped the women would not talk; as I had publicly indicated there was no tip given and no reward paid. I stated the Bureau should always protect the informant. Mr. Connelley stated he would talk to her in a couple of weeks when she returns to the Little Rock district.

Mr. Connelley informed that they have arraigned Hunter in New Orleans and when they finish talking with him tonight, they will place him in a federal jail there. I told Mr. Connelley to have SAC Magee hold Hunter incommunicado. Mr. Connelley stated that the Post Office Inspectors wanted to talk with Hunter but that Hunter would not talk with them because they arrested his father. I told Mr. Connelley to tell Agent Buchanan that no one should be allowed to talk with Hunter unless he, Buchanan or one of the Agents were present at the interview. I advised Mr. Connelley that Hunter should not be interviewed by anyone other than the Post Office Inspectors. I further stated that Buchanan or the Agent representing the Bureau should not interrupt the Post Office Inspectors while they are questioning Hunter; that we can question afterwards if it is desired. I told Mr. Connelley to instruct Buchanan to let no state or local authorities interview Hunter and to advise the Superintendent of the prison that such orders have come from headquarters. I stated that Hunter should be kept in the hands of the Bureau until we can get a conviction or plea from him. I stated that Agent Buchanan should remain in New Orleans until this matter is cleared up.

Mr. Connelley stated that he had talked to the St. Paul office and that they advised him that Karpis is not talking much and that he is very careful but he says so that he will not involve anyone; that he has given enough to convict himself in the Hamm and Bremer cases. I asked Connelley if Karpis is going to plead guilty or stand trial. Mr. Connelley stated that Karpis will not plead guilty except to one charge and in that case the other charge will have to be dismissed. I told Connelley to call Mr. Stein and tell him to get hold of the U. S. Attorney and turn the case over to him and to

ascertain what the U. S. Attorney wants to do; that if he wants to bring his trial, it should be done immediately; if the U. S. Attorney wants to talk to Karpis and get him to plead, that is up to him. I told Connelley that we will not make any deal with Karpis. I told Connelley to have Karpis held incommunicado; that he should be placed in a private cell and not allowed near Byron Bolton.

Mr. Connelley stated that they had picked up in Chicago, Charles Long, an associate of Elmer Heade, the man who had changed his fingerprints. Mr. Connelley stated that Long and Heade were in on the Wunderlich "shake-down"; the Chicago Police have \$200 reward out for Long and know he is in the custody of the Bureau. Mr. Connelley stated that Long made a proposition that if he was turned loose he would turn in Heade. I told Mr. Connelley that it would not be possible for us to release Long on that basis because he is a fugitive from justice and such an action would subject us to great criticism. I stated that if Long won't talk that he should be turned over to the local

Mr. Nathan  
Mr. Tolson  
Mr. Baughman  
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Mr. Tracy  
Miss Gandy



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Conversation with  
Mr. Connelley,  
5/6/36.

authorities, and that St. Louis should be contacted in connection with the  
Wunderlich case.

I advised Mr. Connelley it appeared that Hamm wanted to talk to  
Dann before the Bureau does. I told Mr. Connelley to contact Agent McKee at  
St. Paul and advise him that Hamm is not to dictate to the Bureau; that as a  
matter of fact we do not need Hamm's testimony since we have the confession of  
Postmaster and others and the statement by Karpis. I told Mr. Connelley that  
Hamm should be disregarded and that Dann should be located and Connelley stated  
he would have McKee handle this matter.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.


Mr. Nathan .....
Mr. Tolson .....
Mr. Baughman .....
Chief Clerk .....
Mr. Clegg .....
Mr. Coffey .....
Mr. Edwards .....
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Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Washington, D. C.

This is to advise that Special Agent in Charge J. H. Hanson, who is in Birmingham, will depart from here at 4 P. M., on May 16th, 1936, enroute to Miami, Fla., arriving there at 3:30 P. M. on May 17th, to be available for the motions that are to be heard there in the Brekid case on May 18th. If there is any change in the date of this hearing, it is presumed the Bureau will advise this office.

Very truly yours,  
  
E. P. Guinane,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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New York City  
May 12, 1936

Transmit the following Teletype message to: SALT LAKE CITY

PHONE BREKID. RE FRANKIE <sup>2</sup>FOSTER. JACK VOGEL, WIFE AND TWO CHILDREN  
RESIDED PAST TWO YEARS FOUR EIGHT FIVE OCEAN AVENUE, BROOKLYN. VOGEL  
IS MEMBER OF FIRM OF WEINSTEIN AND VOGEL, FUNERAL DIRECTORS, TWO  
HUNDRED BROOME STREET NYC. AUTOMOBILE DESCRIBED YOUR LAST WIRE  
REGISTERED NAME JACK VOGEL, PACKARD SEDAN, MOTOR NO. THREE NINE  
EIGHT SEVEN THREE ONE. DESCRIPTION OF VOGEL AGE THIRTYFOUR, HEIGHT  
FIVE EIGHT, WEIGHT ONE EIGHTY FIVE, HAIR BROWN EYES BROWN. NO POLICE  
RECORD AS FAR AS ABLE TO ASCERTAIN. ENJOYS GOOD REPUTATION

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Approved: [Signature]  
Special Agent in Charge

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 4907  
Jacksonville, Florida  
May 11, 1936.

Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

RE: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated April 28, 1936, to the Aberdeen Office, and to letter from the Oklahoma City Office dated April 17, 1936, to the Bureau.

Please be advised that a check has been made of the files in the unsolved bank robbery cases now under investigation by this office and it has been ascertained that none of these robberies involve the theft of new and uncut currency.

Very truly yours,

*R. B. Nathan*

R. B. Nathan  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Cc: Cincinnati  
St. Paul  
Chicago  
Cleveland  
Oklahoma City.

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TWO ONE FILE

506 Fletcher Trust Building  
Indianapolis, Indiana

May 9, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Under date of December 12, 1935 you directed  
a letter to all offices of the Bureau asking that a Wanted  
Notice be placed against a 1935 Plymouth 4-door sedan, Motor  
#PJ 322772 with State motor vehicle registration bureaus in  
the event such car was not then registered.

Please advise me if the wanted notice placed  
with the Indiana State Bureau should be continued or withdrawn.

Very truly yours,

JOHN A. BOWD,  
Special Agent in Charge.

cc Bureau  
Chicago  
St. Paul  
Cincinnati

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

326 1/2 Post Office Building

New Orleans, Louisiana

May 9, 1936

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Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting under separate cover on Government Bill of Lading #J-77802 a box containing magazines, newspapers, and other printed matter found in the apartment at 3343 Canal St., where subjects Alvin Karpis and Fred John Hunter were apprehended at New Orleans, La.

Included in this group is an envelope containing latent prints lifted from objects found in the apartment.

The material shipped to the Bureau for Laboratory examination is as follows:

Popular Science Magazine for May, 1936  
Famous Detective Cases Magazine for June, 1936  
Kim's Guide to Florida for 1936  
Field & Stream Magazine for May, 1936  
2 Sports Afield Magazines for April and May, 1936  
Outdoor Life Magazine for May, 1936  
Hocey Magazine for June, 1936  
2 Fishing annual Magazines for 1936  
2 Hunting & Fishing Magazines for April and May, 1936  
Outdoors Magazine for April, 1936  
Rod & Gun Magazine for March, 1936  
Hunter, Trader & Trapper Magazine for April, 1936  
Ballyhoo Magazine for June, 1936  
2 Love Story Magazines for April 4 and April 25, 1935  
4 Graham-Paige Circulars  
Rand-McNally Road Map Magazine  
True Confessions Magazine for May, 1936  
2 Plymouth advertising circulars  
2 New Orleans, La. Chamber of Commerce advertisements  
American Astrology Magazine for February, 1936  
Johnson Outboard Motors instruction magazine  
Colliers magazine for February 15, 1936  
Cleveland "Plain Dealer" for Sunday, Apr. 26, 1936

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New Orleans "Times-Picayune" for Apr. 30, 1936  
 New Orleans "Item" for April 29 and 30, 1936  
 New Orleans "Tribune" for May 1, 1936  
 New Orleans "Tribune" for April 30, 1936  
 7 phonograph record paper envelopes  
 1 large manila envelope containing the following:  
     6 sheets blue-edged white stationery, no mark  
     1 sheet blue-edged white stationery, no mark  
     5 white envelopes, no mark  
     1 large envelope with "Mr. Edward O'Hara,  
         3343 Canal Street"  
     1 Business Card of Griffin Motor Co., Loxley, Ala.  
 1 small manila envelope containing the following:  
     1 cartoon torn from "Sunday Mirror"  
     1 H. G. Hill Stores, Inc. complimentary milk  
         certificate with coupons  
     1 prescription check, Liggett's Drug Store, #30825  
     1 receipt stub, Maison Blanche Co., #35686-47  
     1 Bienville Meat Market coupon punch board  
     1 cellophane wrapper from cigarette pack  
 1 pack "Bee" playing cards  
 1 envelope containing the following lifted latent fingerprints:  
     A-1 Latent print off cold cream jar  
     A-2 Latent print off mirror, back bed room  
     A-3 Latent print off Frigidair door  
     A-4 Latent print off Frigidair door  
     A-5 Latent print off Frigidair door  
     A-6 Latent print off Frigidair door  
     A-7 Latent print off water glass  
     A-8 Latent print off wall mirror back bedroom  
     A-9 Latent print off wall mirror back bedroom  
     A-10 Latent print off water glass  
     A-11 Latent print off water glass  
     A-12 Latent print off cold cream jar  
     A-13 Latent print off cold cream jar  
     A-14 Latent print off Vaseline Hair Tonic bottle  
     A-15 Latent print off wall mirror front room  
     A-16 Latent print off big bathroom mirror  
     A-17 Latent print off small vase  
     A-18 Latent print off vanity dresser mirror, back bedroom  
     A-19 Latent print off edge of kitchen table  
     A-20 Latent print off cellophane cigarette wrapper  
     A-21 Latent prints off kitchen table  
     A-22 Latent print off empty medicine bottle  
     A-23 Latent print off phonograph records  
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On all the lifted ~~latent~~ fingerprints, the work was performed by Special Agent J. E. Lunsford and Special Agent T. W. Bain, with the exception of the phonograph records, which were lifted by Special Agent W. L. Thompson at the New Orleans Bureau office.

The Bureau Laboratory is requested to process the newspapers, magazines, and other printed material in an effort to develop and identify latent fingerprints. The latent fingerprints are forwarded to the Bureau for identification purposes.

Very truly yours,

*D. W. Magee*  
D. W. Magee,  
Special Agent in Charge.

cc-Little Rock (E.J. Connelley)  
Chicago  
St. Paul  
Cleveland  
Cincinnati (E. J. Connelley)  
Oklahoma City

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May 22, 1936.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Re: Brekid.

Dear Sir:

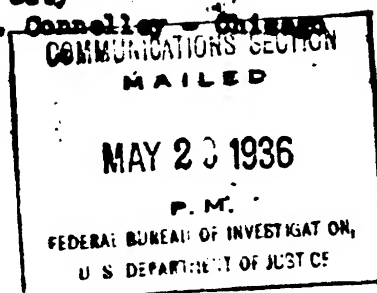
Reference is made to your letter of May 9, 1936 covering the transmittal of a large number of paper specimens and thirty-seven lifts of latent fingerprints found in an apartment at 3343 Canal Street, New Orleans.

You are advised that five of the latent impressions appearing on the lifts have been identified as those of Connie Morris, alias Mrs. Ruth Robison. A fingerprint examination of the numerous paper articles is being conducted and your office will be further advised as to the results thereof.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

cc - Little Rock  
Chicago  
St. Paul  
Cleveland  
Cincinnati  
Oklahoma City  
Mr. E. J. Connelley - Chicago



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June 4, 1936

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Special Agent in Charge,  
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the Bureau's letter of May 22, 1936 relative to the latent fingerprint examination being conducted on various articles found in an apartment at 3343 Canal Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, in connection with the above-entitled case.

In addition to the latent fingerprint identifications of Connie Morris alias Mrs. Ruth Robison, previously reported, three latent prints appearing on the copy of Famous Detective Cases magazine for June, 1936 have been found to be identical with the right index fingerprint of this individual.

The following latent prints remain unidentified after comparison with the fingerprints of Alvin Karpis; Harry Campbell; Fred Hunter and Connie Morris:

One latent palmar area on the True Confessions magazine for May, 1936.  
One latent palm print on the Sports Afield magazine for May, 1936.  
Three latent palm prints on the Famous Detective Cases magazine for June, 1936.  
Your latent palmar areas on an advertisement of the Graham Supercharger.

All of the original specimens submitted by you under date of May 9, 1936, including thirty-seven lifts of latent fingerprints and miscellaneous paper articles, are being returned to your office under separate cover.

JUN - 5 1936

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

cc-Little Rock  
Chicago  
St. Paul  
Cleveland  
Cincinnati  
Oklahoma City  
Mr. E. J. Connelley - Chicago

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover  
Director.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

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**Federal Bureau of Investigation**  
U. S. Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.  
May 10, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

On May 8th Mr. Stanley Carroll dropped by the office and stated that he had just talked with Mr. Ambrose in Mr. Farley's office and had been advised by Mr. Ambrose that if an investigation was made to determine the status of the recent allegation to the effect that the Post Office Inspectors had not cooperated with the FBI, the Post Office Department would "blow us clean out of the water." Mr. Ambrose stated that he was then going to see Mr. Farley in an effort to have him issue a statement concerning this entire matter.

I told Mr. Carroll that we had nothing to worry about in this connection and that the facts as he first heard them were true; that we had received no cooperation and that as a matter of fact every obstacle was placed in our way in an effort to frustrate the apprehension of both Karpis and Campbell.

Respectfully,

T. D. Quinn.

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MAY 28 1936

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JAMM  
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Mr. Nathan	✓
Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Clegg	✓
Mr. Glavin	✓
Mr. Ladd	✓
Mr. Nichols	✓
Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Tracy	✓
Mr. Carson	✓
Mr. Egan	✓
Mr. Gurnea	✓
Mr. Harbo	✓
Mr. Hendon	✓
Mr. Jones	✓
Mr. Mumford	✓
Mr. Quinn	✓
Mr. Nease	✓
Mr. Gandy	✓

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min of Farley  
10/11/36

W.A.GRIGSBY,  
#1247, E. 101st. St.  
Cleveland, O.

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,  
Federal Bldg.  
Cleveland, O.

Dear Mr. Hoover;-

Since your progress in this "Karpis-Barker Weiss" cleanup I have been analyzing some conditions dating back to the "World War" period when I was doing some investigating on the A.P.L. for the Dept., there are some conditions which could connect up with this present affair and I am willing to meet you and give you what connections there may be.

My Grandfathers settled here in Cleveland in 1853 & 1855 and I was born here have a little property invicinity where my people settled and I am just giving this to you as introduction and would also refer you to Mr. Harper in the Federal Bldg.

You can call me at my home Gar. 5584J, or write and I will gladly call at your office at your appointment.

Hoping I may be of some service to your Dept. as I am a S.W.V. and served several months in Physical Instruction Work at the "Marines Camp" at Paris Island in 1918.

Sincerely yours,

*W.A. Grigsby*  
W.A. Grigsby,

Mr. Nathan  
Mr. Tolson  
Mr. Baughman  
Chief Clerk  
Mr. Clegg  
Mr. Coffey  
Mr. Edwards  
Mr. Egan  
Mr. Foxworth

Mr. Harbo  
Mr. Joseph  
Mr. Quinn  
Mr. Schilder

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KRM:TD  
7-576 - 11442 May 18, 1936

Mr. W. A. Grigby,  
1147 East 101st Street,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, et al -  
Edward George Bremer, VICTIM -  
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

I wish to thank you for your undated letter which was received in this Bureau on May 13, 1936, in which you advise that you have certain information which may be of value to investigations being conducted by this Bureau at the present time.

This will inform you that I am bringing the contents of your letter to the attention of Mr. J. P. MacFarland, Special Agent in Charge, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 1448 Standard Building, Cleveland, Ohio, who will arrange to have an Agent interview you and obtain any information which you are willing to impart.

Very truly yours,

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION  
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
cc-Cleveland (Copies of letter from Mr. Grigby)

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

*[Handwritten signatures and initials]*

Post Office Box 518,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.  
May 11, 1936.

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Mr. John R. Goss,  
Postmaster,  
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

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You may discontinue the cover placed on  
mail going to 301 Hennepin Avenue, inasmuch as it is  
no longer needed.

Thanking you for the hearty cooperation  
you have given this office at all times, I remain,

Very truly yours,

G. W. STEIN,  
Special Agent in Charge.

OWS:SEC  
cc-Bureau  
Chicago  
Cincinnati

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Post Office Box 812

Chicago, Illinois

May 11th, 1936

Special Agent in Charge  
Los Angeles, California

Dear Sir:

Re: BREKID

In reply to your letter of April 28th, 1936, I am enclosing herewith copies of the photograph of Milton Lett, Sam Coker, Grace Goldstein and Connie Hamm, as well as copies of the photograph of Harry Campbell.

Photographs of Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter have not been prepared in view of the apprehension of these individuals.

Very truly yours,

DL:IM  
enc.

D. M. LADD  
Special Agent in Charge

cc - Bureau

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Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
Post Office Box 515  
Saint Paul, Minnesota  
May 4, 1936

*Mr. Lamm*  
*Mr. Gless*  
*J*

7-30

Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

BREKID

Enclosed herewith are two copies of each  
of the following photographs of Karpis:

One life size  
Profile, left side  
Front view  
Front view and profile view,  
front view wearing glasses  
Mutilated fingerprints of both hands.

Very truly yours,

*C. W. Stein*

C. W. STEIN  
Special Agent in Charge

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Encls. *(10) 148 01*

cc Chicago  
Cincinnati

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*Mr. McEntire*  
*1/5*  
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NEW ORLEANS,  
May 7, 1936.

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RECEIVED RE KAPTS GUNS SHIPPED BUREAU TWO FORTY FIVE GOLT AUTOMATIC PISTOLS  
BUREAU FORTIFIED BUREAU ALSO GOLT AUTOMATIC TWENTY TWO CALIBRE PISTOL  
REQUEST LABORATORY ENDEAVOR PROCEEDS FOR SERIAL NUMBERS AND ADVISE FOR CHECK  
THROUGH FACTORY HAVE INSTITUTED INVESTIGATION ON OTHER GUNS THROUGH FACTORY

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TO SEND A MESSAGE TELEPHONE MAIN 6711 OR ANY POSTAL TELEGRAPH OFFICE  
FOR MESSENGER TELEPHONE POSTAL TELEGRAPH OR RING POSTAL CALL BOX.



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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

MAY 9, 1936

Transmit the following message to: SAC NEW YORK  
NEW ORLEANS

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BREXID THIRD KARPIS GUN WITH MUTILATED NUMBER HAS BEEN DETERMINED TO  
BE COLT TWENTYTWO CALIBER ACE MODEL AUTOMATIC PISTOL SERIAL NUMBER  
FOUR EIGHT NAUGHT STOP NEW YORK OFFICE INITIATE TRACE STOP  
TEST SHOTS FROM ALL GUNS SUBMITTED HAVE BEEN COMPARED WITH UNIDENTIFIED  
GUNS IN FILE BUT NO IDENTIFICATIONS EFFECTED

HOOVER

CODE UNDERLINED WORDS

CC (BY MAIL)  
CINCINNATI  
MR. E. J. CONNELLEY - CLEVELAND  
ST. PAUL  
LITTLE ROCK  
CHICAGO

Mr. Nathan .....  
Mr. Tolson .....  
Mr. Baughman .....  
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Mr. Clegg .....  
Mr. Coffey .....  
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Mr. Egan .....  
Mr. Foxworth .....  
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Mr. Joseph .....  
Mr. Keith .....  
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Mr. Quinn .....  
Mr. Schilder .....  
Mr. Tamm .....  
Mr. Tracy .....  
Miss Gandy .....  
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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice  
607 U. S. Court House  
Foley Square  
New York, N. Y.

RW:PS

May 5, 1936.

Personal and Confidential

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

It is suggested that you address a letter of appreciation to Mr. J. Frye, President, Transcontinental & Western Air, Inc., 60 East 42nd Street, New York City, for the splendid cooperation and service rendered by that company in furnishing a plane and pilots for your use last Thursday, April 30th, and for treating all arrangements absolutely confidential.

It is believed that the letter to Mr. Frye should mention the prompt and efficient manner in which Messrs. H. H. Gallup, Division Superintendent, and W. C. McCormick, Assistant to Mr. Gallup, and Pilot Jack Zimmerman and Co-Pilot F. H. Smith functioned in making the plane available and in carrying out the trip. You might also desire to address separate letters of thanks and appreciation to these parties, and their addresses are care of Transcontinental & Western Air, Inc., Newark Airport, Newark, New Jersey.

Very truly yours,

R. WHITLEY

Special Agent in Charge

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Mr. Foxworth	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
Mr. Carson	
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Mr. Quinn	
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**Federal Bureau of Investigation**

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 515,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.  
May 11, 1936.

7-30

Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

BREKID

Enclosed herewith are two copies of a  
letter written by Alvin Karpis to Dolores Delaney,  
Milan, Michigan. One copy is attached to the letters  
to the other offices.

Very truly yours,

*C. W. Stein*

C. W. STEIN,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc-Chicago (Encl)  
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DIRECTOR

FEDL BUR OF INVES US DEPT OF JUSTICE WASHN DC

BREKID. PROCEEDING WITH SAC FLETCHER TO HOT SPRINGS  
TWO THIRTY PM AND WILL RETURN LITTLE ROCK LATER THIS  
EVENING WILL BE IN TOUCH WITH AGENT DAMRON AT OFFICE LITTLE ROCK.  
CONNELLEY...

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May 8, 1936

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. ROBERT M. GATES,  
DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION

I am attaching hereto a suggested press  
release relating to the apprehension of Charles O.  
Long by Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.  
Long, who is wanted by state authorities, is being  
turned over to the State's Attorney at Chicago,  
Illinois.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

Mr. Nathan .....  
Mr. Tolson .....  
Mr. Baughman .....  
Chief Clerk .....  
Mr. Clegg .....  
Mr. Coffey .....  
Mr. Edwards .....  
Mr. Egan .....  
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JOAN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

May 7, 1936.

MEMORANDUM

Charles O. Long was apprehended by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation on May 5, 1936, at Chicago, Illinois, at which time he was questioned to determine whether he had violated a Federal Statute over which this Bureau had jurisdiction. Long will be turned over to the authorities of the State of Illinois by whom he is wanted on a charge of receiving stolen property and bail bond forfeiture. His criminal career as reflected by his first arrest began on July 30, 1917, at which time he was taken into custody by the Police Department at Omaha, Nebraska, on a charge of vagrancy and pandering. He was fined \$10.00 and costs and released the following day.

Long is 45 years of age, is of medium stature and dark complexioned. His criminal activities in recent years have been directed to the pursuit of milking innocent persons through the so-called "confidence game" racket. He has associated himself with numerous well known racketeers who have preyed upon innocent persons and fleeced their victims by the use of the "get rich quick" sales talk.

Long has moved about the country maintaining residences at strategic points. He has also maintained brokerage offices which are used to give him the necessary front for his illegal business operations.

Noting his criminal career as reflected by arrests supported by fingerprints on file in the Identification Division of this Bureau, it is observed that he has been engaged in robbery, has been arrested for vagrancy and pandering and is presently wanted by the Illinois authorities for receiving stolen property and bail bond forfeiture. He has engaged in the "confidence game" racket in Palm Beach, Florida, in Peoria, Illinois and Sacramento, California. These arrests are an index of the partial extent of his criminal activities. A copy of the complete criminal record of Charles O. Long as reflected by the files of the Identification Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, is attached hereto together with his photograph.

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CHARLES LONG



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LITTLE ROCK ARKANSAS MAY 6, 1936. 1117AM

DIRECTOR F B I US DEPT OF JUSTICE WASH DC

BREKID. OKLAHOMA CITY ADVISES THAT AGENTS SMITH THIS MORNING RECEIVED  
TELEGRAM FROM HERBERT/AKERS HOT SPRINGS STATING LOCK BOX OF PARTIES  
BOUGHT BY AGENT SMITH AT HOT SPRINGS HAD BEEN LOCATED. BRANTLEY  
ADVISES SMITH KNOWS NOTHING OF THIS. PROCEEDING HOT SPRINGS MOON  
TODAY PURPOSE CONTACTING AKERS UNLESS OTHERWISE INSTRUCTED. CALLED  
ACTING.

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CALLED CH.  
CLK. OFFICE  
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US DEPT OF JUSTICE WASHN DC

AGENTS L F MALONE AND W JOHN MCNULTY ARRIVED OKLAHOMACITY NINE  
FIFTY FIVE AM TODAY WITH SAM COKER NOW LODGED IN COUNTY JAIL  
HERE STOP STATE PENITENTIARY OFFICIALS NOTIFIED WHO WILL TAKE  
DELIVERY COKER TODAY OR TOMORROW

BRANTLEY RNB..

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MAY 15 1936

612 Marine Trust Bldg.  
Buffalo, N.Y.

May 12, 1936

Special Agent in Charge  
New Orleans, La.

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your wire of May 7, 1936 in the above entitled matter relative to the tracing of the Savage rifle, serial #304481.

As indicated in my wire to the Pittsburgh office dated May 7, 1936 and my letter to the Pittsburgh office dated May 8, 1936, said gun was shipped to Pittsburgh, Pa.

The writer is in receipt of a letter from the Pittsburgh office dated May 8, 1936, showing the extent of the investigation made by that office in an effort to trace same, and for your information a copy of said letter is attached hereto.

Very truly yours,

B. E. SACKETT  
Special Agent in Charge

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cc: Bureau  
Chicago  
Cincinnati  
St. Paul

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

MAY 13 1936

To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to: SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE  
ST PAUL MINNESOTA

D. A.

R. T.

RELET AGENTS BRUCE FROM ABERDEEN HOOD FROM PORTLAND TELEGRAPHICALLY  
INSTRUCTED REPORT TO YOUR OFFICE GENERAL ASSIGNMENT TO ASSIST  
MAINTAINING GUARD ON KARPIS

HOOVER

CODE UNDERLINED WORDS

Mr. Nathan .....  
Mr. Tolson .....  
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EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

May 9, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. EDWARDS

In confirmation of telephonic advice furnished Mr. K. R. McIntire on May 8, 1936, concerning the case of Harry Campbell, Fugitive Index #5972, Bureau file #62-28915, please be advised that on May 9, 1936, a fingerprint card was received in the Identification Division from the Bureau Office, Saint Paul, Minnesota, reflecting that this individual as Harry Campbell, #---, was arrested by that office on May 7, 1936, charge kidnaping; disposition not given.

Respectfully,

*L. C. Schilder*  
L. C. Schilder

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice  
P. O. Box #2344  
Boston, Mass.

May 11, 1936

Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to my letter of May 5, 1936 concerning the "leak" in the post office building by which information concerning the departure of Bureau agents for target practice was made known to the newspapers resulting in a news story that this office was engaged in a hunt for Alvin Karpis.

Post Office Inspector Cronin, who is still engaged in the investigation of this case, advises that his confidential informant has still been unable to locate the source of information. This is also true of the informant previously contacted by this office. Inspector Cronin further advises that the list of employees he has obtained as stated in my letter of May 1st is not of much value because of the large number thereof, being some twenty.

For the Bureau's information the possibility in this case is also being considered that the information furnished the press may have come from some source other than the Post Office Department. The basement under this building consists of a semi-circular driveway in which deliveries not only of mail but of all heavy goods to anyone in the building by any outside corporation are made. The basement is also used for the parking of the cars of various Federal employees and for the van of the United States Marshal. There is no way of determining which outside vehicles or persons were present in the basement at the time of the departure of the Bureau agents for target practice.

It may be further noted that the agents in this office have always departed for target practice from the basement of the Federal Building previously and of course were seen by postal employees. This is the only time, however, that any information ever reached the press concerning such departure. It would therefore appear that the likelihood of this information coming from some outside source is strengthened. Nevertheless, the investigation will be continued.

Very truly yours,

C. D. McKean  
Special Agent in Charge.

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MAY 13 1936

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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this building  
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and placed in photo file  
in Rm 5734 -

Rosen

1936.

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith are two copies of a full-length  
photograph of Harry Campbell, front and side views, and  
two copies of face photograph of the same individual,  
front and profile views.

Very truly yours,

C. W. Stein  
C. W. STEIN,  
Special Agent in Charge.

CWS:rm

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Cincinnati  
Cleveland

AIR MAIL

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box #1469,  
Little Rock, Arkansas,  
May 7th, 1936.

Mr. Nathan	
Mr. Tolson	
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Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Rosen	
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Mr. Carson	
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Miss Gandy	

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,  
Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Confirming my telephone conversation with you last night you are advised that on the morning of May 6th, 1936, I received a long distance telephone call from Special Agent in Charge Dwight Brantley, at which time Mr. Brantley advised that Agent Frank Smith of his office, who was presently ill, had just received a telegram from Herbert Akers, Chief of Detectives, Hot Springs, Arkansas, to the effect that he, Akers, had located a lock box of the parties which Agent Smith had been looking for and that Akers considered this information might bear investigation. Mr. Brantley informed me that he had talked with Agent Smith, who did not have any definite knowledge of discussing the location of any lock box with Akers.

In accordance with previous instructions issued by you it had been my purpose to frequently contact Akers and other persons at Hot Springs in order that I might be fully conversant with the situation at that point and be informed immediately upon the return of Grace Goldstein, therefore, this telegram to Agent

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Smith afforded me a further opportunity of approaching Akers regarding his activities in connection with the investigation of the case entitled - ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218; ET AL, EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM; KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT, I therefore, proceeded to Hot Springs for that purpose.

Upon my arrival at Hot Springs I proceeded immediately to the police department with Special Agent B. L. Dameron of this office, as I felt that I might, in view of Akers' character and reputation, need a witness in the event anything might occur. Akers was found in the alley-way outside of the police department, as was also Joe Wakelin, Chief of Police, Lieutenant Cecil Brock, in charge of the Bureau of Identification and other members of the police force, who were unknown to me. I took Akers to one side and informed him of the receipt by Agent Smith of his telegram and Akers advised me that it was his information that both Grace Goldstein and Connie Morris had been seen on numerous occasions going into the Arkansas National Bank and that he thought one or the other of these women had a lock box there and that we should take some steps to look into this box. I informed Akers we appreciated the information but that we had already known this for a considerable time and that no action was being taken by this office in the absence of instructions from you; that in view of the fact I had received no instructions from you to pick up anyone in connection with this case, I wanted it made perfectly

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clear to him that he should not pick up Grace Goldstein, Connie Morris, or any other person, with the view in mind that he was aiding this Bureau in any manner. Akers then in boisterous tones asked me whether it was not our purpose to arrest Grace Goldstein and I informed him that I did not know what your wishes were in the matter, but that as I had stated to him before, I would take no action in the absence of instructions from you. Akers then replied that he felt if we did not pick up Grace Goldstein that we might as well release Karpis. I then said to Akers, in the presence of Joe Wakelin, the Chief of Police, and the others above mentioned, that you would not tolerate his picking up Grace Goldstein, Connie Morris, or even his Chief of Police Joe Wakelin, for this Bureau; that I felt you were perfectly capable of picking these parties up if you cared to do so without any help from him or anyone else, which had been done in the case of Karpis. Then Akers in most vulgar and obscene language informed me that he would pick up anyone he liked and in effect said that you would have nothing to do with who he picked up, the exact wording being so obscene that I am unable to repeat it in this communication. Akers seemed inclined to carry on this argument, but I informed him that it had never been my purpose to engage in any argument with him and that the only action I intended taking, and that to be done immediately upon my return to Little Rock, was that I would communicate with you by telephone and inform you of his exact message to you. At this point Akers indicated to me that in the future he did not intend to cooperate with this Bureau, at which time I informed him that if his cooperation in the future was no better than it had been in the past, our loss would probably not be very great.

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Before leaving Hot Springs I called upon Leo P. McLaughlin, the Mayor of Hot Springs and informed him of the message that Akers had asked that I transmit to you and told Mr. McLaughlin that the purpose of my visit to him was in order that he should be fully informed as to the actions of Akers and the fact that his statements were made in the presence of the Chief of Police, who did not make any comment whatever or attempt to reprimand Akers; that inasmuch as Akers worked directly under him I felt that he was entitled to know just what had passed between us.

Mayor McLaughlin informed me that it was his belief the reason Akers acted as he did was that he lost his temper, being already angry over the thought that Grace Goldstein could have furnished him information as to the whereabouts of Karpis and Fred Hunter and that she failed to do so, thereby making Akers lose his chance of collecting the reward in this case. Mr. McLaughlin stated that he wanted to at all times cooperate with this Bureau and that he would personally see that all of his officers cooperated fully and that in the event they did not, he personally would conduct any investigation desired by this office. I might say here that I am not any more favorably impressed with Leo McLaughlin than I am with Akers and the Bureau probably shares this view, having been previously advised as to the character of this individual.

McLaughlin seemed to be of the opinion that it was Akers' purpose to harass Grace Goldstein as much as possible upon her return to Hot Springs merely for the reason that he was angry with her. I informed McLaughlin

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that neither I nor the Bureau had any interest whatever in Grace Goldstein, Connie Morris, or any other Hot Springs prostitute and that we would do nothing whatever to protect any of them and that if they had cases against them locally they could, of course, cause their arrest, but that I did not feel that Grace Goldstein or anyone else should be made to suffer by reason of any personal feeling that Akers had against me or the Director of this Bureau.

Upon my return to the Little Rock Office I was informed by Miss Dorothy Nease, the Chief Clerk, that an attempt had been made by Herbert Akers to reach me by telephone and that he had asked Miss Nease to have me see him again before I left Hot Springs in the event I should call the office and that otherwise I should communicate with him by telephone immediately upon my return, as it was important that I do so.

As stated to you in my telephone conversation, I did talk with Akers, at which time he informed me that he was truly sorry of what had occurred in Hot Springs and that the only excuse he had to offer was that he had just read in a Tulsa newspaper an article which placed the blame on the Hot Springs Police Department for the escape of Karpis and Hunter, at the time of the raid on the Woodcock house near Malvern, Arkansas, by agents of this Bureau. He asked that I not inform you of the message he had sent you and that the matter be allowed to drop. He informed me that it was always his purpose to

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cooperate with this Bureau and its agents and that he has always done so; that he did not want me to feel that he had any personal feeling against me whatever; that he only wished to be afforded the opportunity of continuing his contacts with agents of this office and the writer personally and that he would show us that he was sincere in his regrets over the occurrence yesterday afternoon. Akers informed me that he was at that time preparing a letter to you offering his apology and that he would send the letter over to me in order that I might have the information as to its contents before it was mailed to you. I now have this letter before me and I am sending it to you under obscene cover, in view of the fact that Akers has included in this letter the exact language he used towards you during our conversation. I am keeping no record of this letter at the Little Rock Office, as I feel that the expression used by Akers is too vulgar for anyone else to ever read.

Akers in transmitting the above referred to letter, wrote me a letter also, the original of which is being forwarded to you and I am retaining a copy of this letter in our files in the Little Rock Office.


It is my opinion that Akers did not place the telephone call to this office or have in mind writing his letter of apology until after I had seen Mayor McLaughlin and I am firmly convinced it was due to instructions received by him from McLaughlin that prompted

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both the letter and the telephone call.

Very truly yours,

  
CHAPMAN FLETCHER,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Hot Springs National Park  
Arkansas

POLICE DEPARTMENT  
JOE WAKELIN  
CHIEF OF POLICE

Phone 123

May 6, 1936.

Agent Fletcher,  
Department of Justice,  
Little Rock, Ark.

Dear Fletcher:-

I am truly sorry of the occurrence between you and myself today and you will note from the enclosed letter to Mr. Hoover that I am explaining facts as best I recall them and if I am in error ask that you write the true facts so that Mr. Hoover might be fully informed.

I want to assure you that there is nothing personal in this matter either between you, Mr. Dameron, Mr. Hoover or any of the agents, and I trust that it will be overlooked this time and I be given an opportunity to prove my friendship.

Cordially,

*Herbert A. Kell*

P.S.- Will you please mail the enclosed letter in to Mr. Hoover after you have noted contents. - *Removed for Mr. Kell - 10-17-38*

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BREKID NEWSPAPERS DESIRE PHOTOGRAPH HARRY CAMPBELL TAKEN

YESTERDAY SHOWING FRONT AND PROFILE VIEWS ADVISE

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

May 12, 1936.

Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

There are transmitted under separate cover the following articles taken from Harry Campbell at Toledo, Ohio, on May 7, 1936:

One (1) Colt Automatic, Government Model, No. 162893;

Seven (7) .45 caliber automatic clips - empty.

The secret number on the .45 automatic was found to correspond with the number stamped on the frame.

One of the above mentioned clips, and a box of .45 automatic cartridges manufactured by the Western Cartridge Company were found in the trailer belonging to Harry Campbell at the home of his mother-in-law, Mrs. Billeter, who resides on Kopernic Avenue, Toledo, Ohio. At the time this clip was found it was loaded with six .45 caliber automatic cartridges.

The Cleveland office is retaining in its files the thirty-three (33) loose .45 automatic cartridges and the box of Western .45 automatic cartridges, which were the property of Harry Campbell.

The Bureau is requested to make a laboratory examination of the instant .45 caliber automatic pistol and a comparison should be made of the test bullets fired from this gun with the evidence bullets on file at the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFarland  
J. P. MacFARLAND  
Special Agent in Charge

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

May 9, 1936

TDQ:WCS

Time: 8:35 P. M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

RE: CAMPBELL PICTURES

At this time I called Mr. Stein regarding the wire from the St. Paul Pioneer Press and Dispatch, requesting that pictures of Campbell be released. Mr. Stein advised that photographs had been taken of Campbell and that the St. Paul Pioneer Press and Dispatch had requested some pictures from the St. Paul Office before wiring their request to Washington. I advised Mr. Stein that the Director has instructed that pictures of Campbell be released, but Mr. Stein stated that unless they were held up until Monday morning for general release to all the papers, there would be a great deal of resentment. I therefore advised Mr. Stein that in view of such circumstances it would undoubtedly be desirable to wait until Monday and call all of the papers at the same time. Mr. Stein said he would do this.

Mr. Stein advised that Campbell was still being questioned and had accounted for everything except the 21 days which cover the period that Bremer was held. He stated that Campbell would be held until Monday morning and that the Bureau would be immediately advised of any important developments.

Respectfully,

*T. D. Quinn*  
T. D. Quinn.

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

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Serial number has been determined on two of three Karpis guns with  
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AUTOMATIC PISTOL COMMERCIAL MODEL C ONE SEVEN SEVEN TWO SEVEN EIGHT STOP  
NEW YORK OFFICE REQUESTED INSTITUTE TRACK STOP EFFORT NOW UNDER WAY TO  
RESTORE NUMBER ON REMAINING GUN

HOOPER

CODE UNCLERINED WORDS

cc - (by mail)  
Cincinnati  
Cleveland - E. J. Connelley  
St. Paul  
Chicago  
Little Rock

Mr. Nathan .....  
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Per

1449 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

Special Agent in Charge,  
New York City, New York.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

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On May 7, 1936 at Toledo, Ohio, there was found in the possession of HARRY CAMPBELL, a Colt Automatic pistol, .45 caliber, Government model, #162893, and it was ascertained that this number stamped on the frame.

It is requested that you take appropriate action to trace this gun through the Colt's Patent Firearms Manufacturing Company, Hartford, Connecticut.

Very truly yours,

J. P. McFARLAND  
Special Agent in Charge

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Office Box 812

Chicago, Illinois

May 12th, 1936

Special Agent in Charge  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Sir:

Re: BREKID

As requested in your letter of May 6th, 1936, I am forwarding herewith twenty-five photographs of Milton Lett, Akron Police Department #26337.

In view of the recent apprehension of Harry Campbell, no copies of his photograph are being forwarded. However, at such time as more recent photographs are taken by the St. Paul Office, duplicates will be made at this Office and forwarded to your Office.

Very truly yours,

DL: LJM  
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D. M. LADD  
Special Agent in Charge

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